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THOMPSON'S REVIEW

SITUATION REMAINS THE SAME IN POLITICS

SEVEN CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT

Negro Will Make Effort to Have Numerical Strength in National Convention--A. M. E. Zion Church's New Enterprise.

(Staff Correspondence.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 22.—The national event of the week, though occurring in New York, away from the capital, was the great Tuskegee meeting at Carnegie Hall, with Governor Charles Evans Hughes, Mr. Henry Watterson and Dr. Booker T. Washington as the speakers. Before an audience representing the culture, wealth and personal prestige of the entire American Continent, a northern governor, prominently mentioned for the Presidency of the United States, a southern editor, the most remarkable opinion-moulder of his day, and an intellectual leader of a people whose moral, mental and material progress has been the marvel of the civilized world, gave sympathetic expression to the needs, aims, and hopes of the colored race. In consonance with the platform deliverances of these distinguished men, messages came from Cardinal Gibbons, the head of the Catholic Church on this side of the Atlantic and Ambassador James Bryce, the official spokesman of the British Empire in America. It is not often that such influential voices are lifted up on a single rostrum in behalf of any cause, and Tuskegee is to be congratulated that its work has been such a far-reaching character as to win the approval of these international forces, not only through the moral assistance that words can give, but that they have been inspired to go down in their pockets and give substantial sums of money and to urge their wealthy friends to do likewise. Each year the Armstrong Association, created to keep alive the interest of the well-to-do classes in the development of centers of industrial activ-the statement in the first place with ity, of the Tpskegee and Hampton type, hold meetings of this nature in the metropolis, and the appeals made by eminent sociologists and never fail to score. This year, Dr. Washington made it very plain that, owing to the financial stringency, the usual donations to his school had fallen off to such an extent that his work might be seriously embarrassed if the sum of 700,000 was not realized before May. Added to Dr. Washington's appeal was that of ex-Mayor Seth Low, of Brooklyn, who presided over the meeting, and who is president of the oBard of Trustees of Tuskegee Institute, with intimate knowledge of the institution's resources and liabilities. The amount subscribed was not announced, but it is not doubted that the expectations of the "Wizard" were fully realized and that enough help was guaranteed to keep the Black Belt's unique "bee-hive of industry" in perfect operation through the period of lean benefactions. As is known by the initiated, Tuskegee has a large endowment fund, but only the income from this fund is available for current expenses, and this income, however well invested, does not yet bring enough revenue to meet more than one-half of the amount necessary to maintain the immense plant, to constantly increase the demands upon its accommodations, supply facilities for proper instructions, pay the best teachers, and to hold up to the world the ideals for which the school has stood throughout its more than twenty-five years of existence. It has more than vindicated the wisdom of its founders, and is growing in popular strength with each presentation of its cause by the annual meetings of the Armstrong Association. Its fundamental usefulness is happily illustrated in the remarkable range of influence exerted by its founder and chief exponent, Dr. Booker T. Washington. In his wonderful personality and through the thousands of intellectual and industrial leaders he is sending to every state in the Union and to many foreign lands, he is reflecting, more luminously than any other force in the life of our people, the vast possibilities that reside in the Negro race, when placed within the pale of opportunity, daily newspapers have given the world the text of the encouraging address of Gov. Hughes, in which he held so earnestly that "the black man is entitled to his chance." We have read with consuming interest and renewed hopefulness the clear notes of mutual interdependence of the whites and blacks of the South, enunciated in no uncertain tone by Editor Watterson, " a southerner unto the manor born," and this utterance bids fair to accomplish more toward cementing the races of the South into a closer bond of unity than anything that has been said or done in recent times. We should like to see the address of Mr. Watterson read in every public gathering of colored people—before churches, clubs and literaries—to the end that the grumblers and whiners may understood that the Negro is not without friends among the stronger potentialities of the South, where the bulk of our people must, of necessity, make our own way and solve our own problems. Dr. Washington dwelt eloquently upon the dignity of labor, the necessity of inspiring the Negro to become landowners, taxpayers, skilled farmers and mechanics, and to help themselves to get broader learning by taxing themselves when the public revenues failed to made adequate provision for keeping the rural schools open. Cardinal Gibbons, like Ambassador Bryce, followed the lead of Editor Watterson in holding up Booker T. Washington as the "Moses" of the Negro people. They all agreed that he was pointing his brethren the upward way, and urged them to trust him fully and follow him to the goal he has marked out for attainment.

The heart-felt endorsement of the cause by Bishop Abraham Grant was the voice of the real leaders of the race, and was especially significant, coming as it did from one who had traveled all the way from the auctioner's block to the Bishop's Bench and who stood at the head of a church aggregating nearly a million souls, by virtue of faithful adherence to the principles upon which Tuskegee was founded, and which the institution now champions more ardently than ever.

The New York meeting was epochal in character. No Negro can read an account of it without being made better by so doing. Every speech is a text-book of racial advancement—an inspiration for loftier achievement.

The political situation is not greatly changed from that described in our last letter. Speaker Cannon still has Illinois tucked away in his vest pocket, along with his fragrant Havana; Vice President Fairbanks has Indiana "cinched" and the lid nailed down tight; Senator Knox is sure of Pennsylvania; Senator Lafollette has some strength in the Northwest, to keep company with Wisconsin; Governor Hughes maintains his sphinx-like attitude, and consequently New York conditions are nebulous, with a Hughes "throw-down" in prospect if he does not show his hand. In Ohio the outlook is decidedly favorable to Secretary Taft, no matter how the delegates are chosen. Senator Foraker's interview is taken by many to mean that he is open to overtures for peace. At this juncture the peace pact is not being discussed in Washington out loud; that is a problem for the future, and will be settled upon its merits when reached. The colored cohorts are getting ready for the fray, and few days go by which do not mark the lining up of some prominent factor on the presidential question; and it is apparent that the Taft band wagon is the one chosen by nine out of ten. This includes men who have heretofore been very bitter against the War Secretary, but who have had his attitude explained to them, and are now satisfied that his position on race matters is sound to the core. The friendly expressions of a score of race papers are having a most helpful effect upon the Taft movement, and it indicates that the colored people who think are determined to be governed hereafter by their sober judgment, and not by emotions adroitly worked up by special pleaders. Latter-day politics is a matter of business with the white man; it is beginning to be more and more the case with the black man, and the wise Negro, in choosing his place in the ranks, keeps his eye steadily fixed upon the "main chance." Can any one blame him for following the example set by those who control the destinies of nations and who rule the universe?

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A Washington dispatch to the New York World, sent by a correspondent presumed to be on the inside of things that happen at the White House, says: "The President seemed rather pleased to-day with the wide publication given to his statement that Secretary Taft will be nominated on the first ballot at Chicago, although he did not make the idea of getting it into print. He discussed the publication with visitors to-day, and gave the reasons which led him to the conclusion he had reached about the first ballot.

"In the White House view—and the figures are quite interesting—Secretary Taft is already sure of the following States, with more to come. Note the summary:

"Alabama, 22; Arkansas, 18; California, 20; Colorado, 10; Florida, 10; Georgia, 13; Idaho, 6; Iowa, 26; Kansas, 20; Kentucky, 16; Louisiana, 18; Michigan, 28; Minnesota, 22; Mississippi, 20; Missouri, 36; Montana, 16; Nebraska, 16; North Carolina, 12; North Dakota, 8; Ohio, 46; Oklahoma, 14; Oregon, 8; South Dakota, 8; Tennessee, 12; Texas, 36; Washington, 10; Wyoming, 6; District of Columbia, 2; Alaska, 2; Hawaii, 2; New Mexico, 2; Philippines, 2; Porto Rico, 2; Arizona, 2; New England, 40. Total, 521; necessary to a choice, 493.

"In the above summary the administration does not claim all the votes of each State. In the case of New England, for instance, all that is counted as sure is an even break. Only half the delegates are claimed in some of the Southern States mentioned. In addition to the above "sure" delegates, the administration counts as probable 78 from New York and 8 from West Virginia. This would make the total 607. Mr. Roosevelt's declaration is not surprising, except that it should be made at this time. It has been known for some time that he not only favored Taft for his successor, but that he sincerely believed he would be the nominee without doubt."

Tne survey made by the administration, and the confidence with which the dispatch is sent to a leading New York daily, are worth a careful analysis by tnose who look before they leap. We give the statement to the colored press for scrutiny by our masses. It is well to hear both sıues before rendering a verdict.

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A poll of the House of Representatives, made last week, shows that Taft leads all of the presidential candidates by a safe margin.

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A report comes from New York that former Gov. P. B. S. Pinchback, the last and most picturesque member of the "Old Guard," has declared for Taft.

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Former Register J. W. Lyons is back from Georgia, where he has been examining conditions on an extensive scale, conferring with politicians of high and low degree all over the State. He says presidential preferences in Georgia are not, as yet, sufficiently crystallized to justify a positive expression from him as to who will receive its votes at Chicago. All the leading candidates have a following, he says, and while as National committeeman he cannot commit himself to an opinion for publication, his only wish is that the most available man be nominated. He is prepared to accept the judgment of the party, and will give the nominee cordial support, whoever he may be.

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It has been definitely decided that the Jamestown Exposition will not be reopened this year, and the colored exhibitors have begun to receive their exhibits from Chairman T. J. Calloway and his corps of helpers.

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Inquiry at the Treasury Department elicits the information that the office of Collector of Internal Revenue is not likely to be abolished in Georgia or combined with that of South Carolina at this time. The many friends of Collector H. A. Rucker will be pleased.

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That the Negro will make a strenuous effort to obtain a large numerical strength in the National Convention is indicated by an appeal that has been sent out broadcast through the country, pointing out that, though many Negroes will come from the South by virtue of population, the Negroes of the North have a just claim to recognition because of their votes, which in several states hold the balance of power between the two leading parties. Sometimes a Northern Negro is handed the empty honor of serving as an alternate, but none ever goes as a full-fledged delegate, despite the fact that the election of a Republican President frequently hinges upon his loyalty, and his ballot affects in close contests not less than one-third of the total membership of the Senate and House of Representatives. The leaders of this movement to ask for the election of Northern Negroes to the convention in the centers where the Negro vote is a potent factor call attention to the following table, showing the importance of the Negro vote therein, giving the Negro population, to-wit:

Massachusetts	40,000
Rhode Island	10,000
Connecticut	20,000
New York	120,000
New Jersey	75,000
Pennsylvania	175,000
Delaware	40,000
Colorado	10,000
Ohio	40,000
Indiana	60,000
Illinois	100,000
Michigan	25,000
Iowa	16,000
Missouri	170,000
Kansas	60,000
California	15,000

This is a conservative estimate of the Negro population in the States named, and it is not too much to say that 99.9 per cent. of the votes gleaned from this number will be cast for the Republican ticket, no matter who is nominated at Chicago. Assuming that the party managers are desirous of selecting a candidate who will be acceptable to their most loyal supporters, the colored leaders in all of these bailiwicks are being urged to demand representation on the local delegations for the purpose of having as powerful a voice as possible in the make-up of the ticket which they must help to elect, and in framing the platform,

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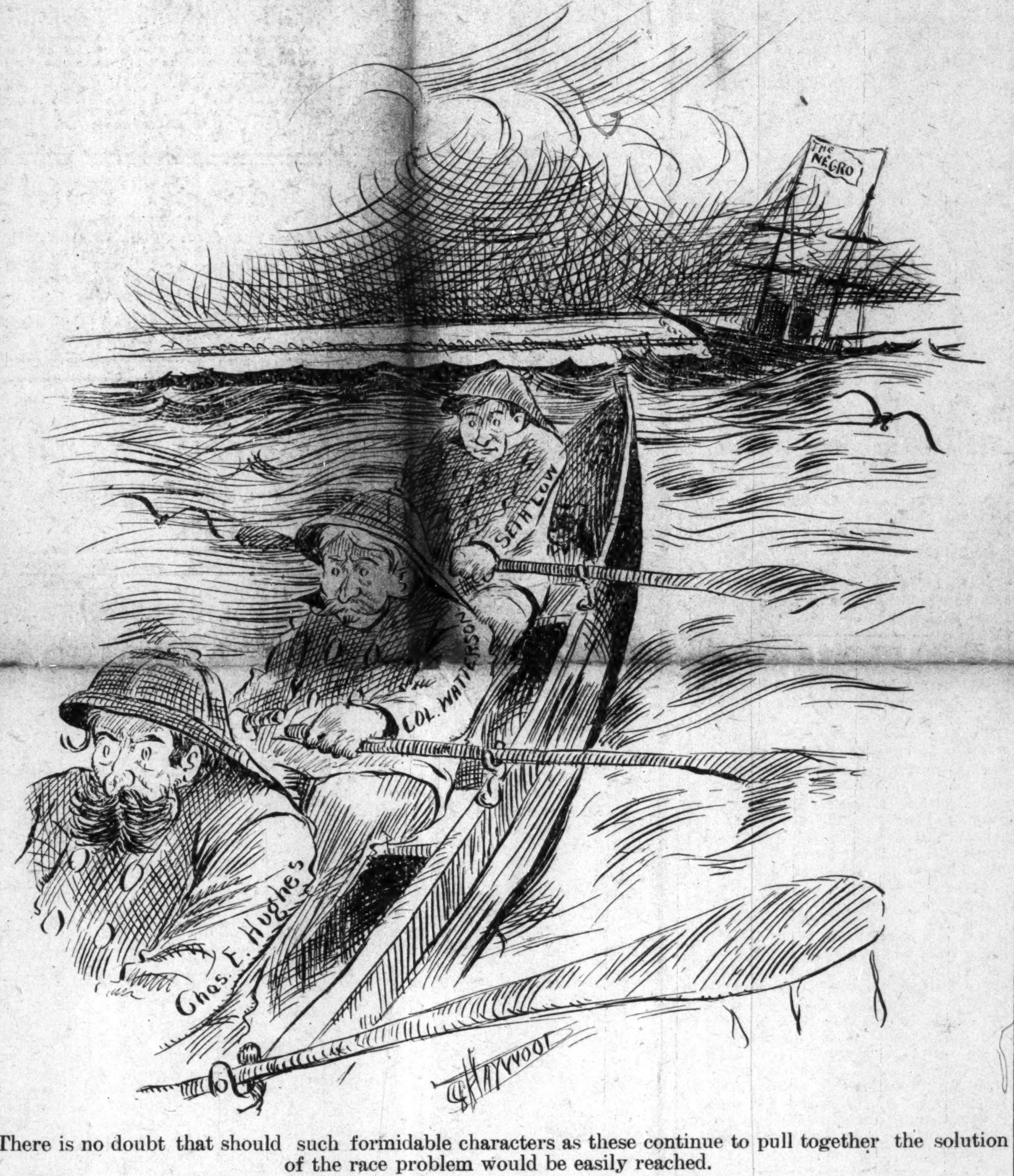
BENDING TO THE OARS.



There is no doubt that should such formidable characters as these continue to pull together the solution of the race problem would be easily reached.

CARNEGIE HALL MEETINC

HELD IN THE INTEREST OF TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE

INSTITUTION MUCH IN NEED OF FUNDS

Number of Patrons Discuss the Situation--Editor Henry Watterson Pays Tribute to Negro Leader--Successful Meeting.

The recent Carnegie Hall meeting, held in the interest of Tuskegee Institute, was a most significant affair. The expressed object was for raising $70,000, which that institution stands very much in need of for completing the work of the year. The occasion afforded an excellent opportunity for expressions on the Negro question, and by those whose opinions count most. The meeting was under the most favorable auspices—the Armstrong Association, the object of whose existence is to help Tuskegee and similar institutions. Beyond this strong influence was a long list of patrons, all of whom are known for their wealth asd philanthropy. Among these were Messrs. Horace White and Isaac Seligman, Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Mrs. Henry H. Rogers, Mrs. Douglass Robinson, Mrs. Robert C. Ogden and Mrs. Walter H. Page. The North was represented by that very interesting personage, Governor Hughes, of New York; the South by that most distinguished editor, Henry Watterson, both of whom in their speeches made it plain that more was due the Negroes than they were getting. The Governor insisted on giving the Negroes a chance, saying that it was necessary to have opportunity and stimulus, so that each man may make the most of himself. He called attention to the fact that it was only a few centuries ago since the ancestors of the white people were living savage lives in the forests of Northern Europe.

Editor Henry Watterson will be remembered for his former expressions touching on the Negro question, and which were so greatly appreciated because Mr. Watterson stands for so much in his section. Indeed, in the newspaper field he stands pre-eminently the ornament of his calling, a position won through the toil of years, serving his party and country as he saw it, and humanity, and causes, and finally stands with those few that have the courage to declare that a man's a man for a' that. But Mr. Watterson is more than editor; he is a statesman, and one whom it will pay to heed, owing to his ripened years, maturer judgment and foresight, that descries from afar danger to be averted. And more yet, the philanthropical impulse which says more love to man, and still more, that purer socialism which makes man nigh unto man, conceding every other man at least those privileges accorded by the laws, which are civil and not social.

Mr. Watterson said in part:

"We have had no race war or serious race conflict in Kentucky. The feudists of the mountains, the night riders of the tobacco belt, are all whites, not blacks. Reasonable white people and reasonable black people find it easy to get along, much as if there existed no color line. Each is inspired by a sense of duty to the other, under which the benign influence of religion and humanity may yet blossom into the old domestic relations of confidence and affection, the man-ownership clause succeeded by a manhood clause, at once self-respecting and reciprocally respected.

—Pays Tribute to Negro Leader.—

"The most serious problem for the former slave holding States to solve—by reflection one of the most serious problems for the States of the North to consider and help to solve—is known as the Negro question. As it stands, it is the embodiment of a century of misleading and error. Each side in the controversy has had its share in both the misleading and the error.

"Not until heaven raised up, in the prescribed race of man, a leader of men, though a Negro, who is with us here to-night, did a single ray of truth penetrate the surrounding darkness. Almost despairing, I had ceased to theorize, throwing myself back on a simple, childlike faith in God, when Booker T. Washington appeared on the

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IN THE WOMAN'S WORLD.

BY "DOROTHY"

This column is devoted to the interests of all women and their organizations also. Address all communications to Dorothy, The Freeman Indianapolis, Ind.

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK.

Envy is a kind of praise.

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Bread is the staff of life.

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Beauty is truth, truth beauty.

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Anger is the most impotent passion that accompanies the mind of man; it effects nothing it goes about; and hurts the man who is possessed by it more than any other against whom it is directed.—Citon.

NOT AN EXAMPLE.

In last week's issue of The Freeman, B. Square Bluster felt it his "duty to call down Sister Dorothy," on account of an item appearing in this column a few weeks since, relative to Hannah Elias and her money. We are pleased to know that our "round table" associate has taken an interest in us, but we are sure that he has misunderstood our purpose. We are making an effort to have appear in this department matters of interest to women. Not at any time have we intended that all the doings of women to be an example. In the case of Mrs. Elias, the same was simply a matter of news and not an example.

Whatever may have been her methods of obtaining money from the multi-millionaire, it will do no harm for wives and daughters to know, in order that they may shun the same path regardless of the seemingly glittering result. Ignorance is not virtue. To know evil and then remain untainted by sin, is virtue, thoroughly tested.

That she was trying to get away from the race, is simply the same thing that is being done by other women and men of the same race. Women who are posing and are accepted as leaders and models of intellect and virtue liberally patronize the hair-straightener's and know well the art of applying "skin success" and various other bleachers to deceive, if possible the unsuspecting public. Mrs. Elias is only like the rest in this respect, possessing the same vanities as many, many others. The men, too, are trying to get away from their own, only in a different way. They will work for years for the cause of their race that they love (?) and will reach their climax by marrying, if possible, some ordinary white woman. There has been no "call down" for them by the other men.

When a white woman elopes with the Negro coachman, no one objects to the wives and daughters knowing about it. We say this, however, to show you the inconsistency of our men, not that we are defending anything that will degrade the morals of any. We hope that it is understood that we have not meant to point out any unworthy act as an example.

TO MARRY A COUNT.

Scores of women constantly stroll up and down Fifth avenue at New York to catch a glimpse of Miss Gladys Vanderbilt and Count Laszro Szechenyi, whose approaching marriage is the topic of discussion. No doubt their's will be in keeping with the rest of foreign nobility and American money—a divorce when the novelty wears off. Miss Vanderbilt has purchest the rarest set of Irish point lace in America. The set includes two cuffs and a collar. The lace is what is known as the Empress Eugenia pattern and was made 200 years ago by the nuns at Yanghal, County Cork, Ireland. It was made with 600 thread, the finest made, and according to experts, required twelve years to complete. Miss Vanderbilt paid more than $10,000 for it. The seller had it insured for $5,000 before taking it to the Garden Show. No lace of this degree of fineness has been made for years. It is so fine that the nuns that made it were forced to work by candlelight.

WOMAN KEPT IN COMFORT ON ONLY 28 CENTS A DAY.

That a woman can be clothed in comfort, fed and housed on 28 cents a day has been demonstrated by the management of the Home for Aged and Friendless Women of Indianapolos (white), the facts coming to light in the report of the secretary made before the mayor and teh board of county commissioners at the annual meeting. There were 27,408 meals served at the home in 1907, which meant the taking care of fifty-five transients for varrying periods in addition to the twenty inmates of the home, and six employes of the home, who with the inmates, do all the work. At the same time the health of the institution has been almost ideal, so nenarly so that the home physician inquired of the secretary by telephone if another physician had been called.

DELICIOUS BAKED BEANS.

Wash well one pint navk beans and put to soak over night. In the morning put on to cook in same water, adding more if necessary. When they begin to break, pour a layer into a baking dish and cover with layer of onions cut in thin slices, salt and pepper to taste, another layer of beans, then more onions as before, having the layer of onions on top. Season with salt, pepper and pour over all about three tablespoonfuls of California olive oil, and enough water to just cover. Bake three or four hours covered, then brown nicely; or they may be put on top the stove and cooked slowly till ready to brown. To make this dish perfect, serve with it a plate of cornbread made after this famous recipe rhymed by John Williams, bishop of Connecticut:

Take a cup of cornmeal,
And the meal should be yellow,
And a cup of wheat flour
To make the corn mellow;
Of sugar, a cup, white or brown at your pleasure,
The color is nothing, the point is the measure;
And now comes a troublesome thing to indite,
For the rhyme and the reason they trouble me quite.
For after the sugar, the flour and the meal
Comes a cup of sour cream; but unless you should steal
From your neighbor, I fear you will never be able
This item to put upon your cook's table;
For sure and indeed, in all towns I remember,
Sour cream is as scarce as June bugs in December.
So here is an alternative, nicely contrived,
Is suggested your mind to relieve,
And showing hoy you without stealing at all,
The ground that seems lost may retrieve;
Instead of sour craem take one cup of milk,
Sweet milk! what a sweet phrase to utter!
And to make it cream-like put into the cup
just three tablespoonfus of butter.
Cream of tartar, one teaspoonful; rules dietetic,
How nearly I wrote it down tartar emetic!
But, no, cream of tartar it is without doubt,
And so the alternative makes itself out;
Of soda the half of a teaspoonful add,
Or else your poor corn-cake will go to the bad;
Two eggs must be broken without being beat;
Then salt a teaspoonful your work will complete.
Twenty minutes of baking are needful to bring
To the point of perfection this awful good thing.

COSMETIC GLOVE PASTE.

It is a wonderful help in keeping the hands soft, particularly if one does any sort of housework. These cosmetic gloves are, too, intended to be worn at night. To make the paste, welt two ounces of yellow wax in a double boiler, and add one ounce of powdered myrrh and beat them thoroughly together. Then stir in four ounces of honey and six ounces of rose water, adding a sufficient amount of glycerin to make a good consistency—to make it "spreadable," in fact. Cover the hands with this and draw on a pair of wash gloves two sizes too large. If they are gloves of one's usual size they make the blood rush to the surface of the hands. It is best to get the wash chamois for this purpose, since they look daintier to wear at night. Every time the hands are washed, if one uses almond meal or even common oatmeal that has been mixed with almond—for economy's sake—the hands will be improved,a nd rubbing a cut piece of lemon over the tips of the fingers will serve to soften the tips and remove any stains.

COLORED WOMAN'S MAGAZINE.

The Colored Woman's Magazine is a new publication at Topeka, Kans., which made its first appearance with a Christmas number. It will appear monthly and is neat and well-appearing publication, and we wish for it a prosperous career. We are pleased to see such a publication edited by our women and for our women. Mrs. C. M. Hughes is editor, Mrs. Minnie Thomas, business manager.

COLE IS SOLVING A PROBLEM.

James W. Cole, a young man scarcely over twenty years of age, is a lad do much credit. Mr. Cole is one of the most trusted employes of the large dry goods store at 338 and 340 E. Washington St., known as the Grand Leader—and Cole is a Negro lad. Mr. Cole's duties are not confined to the art of "cleaning up" alone. He has much more entrusted to him, for he is to investigate every bit of goods that goes out of that store. Yes, sir, every piece must go through his hands, so you see much responsibility rests on his shoulders. There is no one that knows any more about the stock that comes and goes than Cole—he knows every piece from top to bottom and its value. James, as he is called, is indeed a very polite and assuming young man and so far as his genius he is a model. Never see Cole idle; always doing something, for he likes to be busy and likes to wear a smile at all times. Mr. Levi, the manager, thinks things could not go on without Cole. It is not a question of color at the Grand Leader.

Found in Our Mail.

Mounds, Ill., Jan. 7, 1908.
Editor The Freeman:

Dear Sir—The Freeman, dated 4th inst, to hand as requested. Many thanks. It seemed like an old friend once lost had just been found. We always enjoyed reading The Freeman. Inclosed find 50 cents for which receipt me. Will send more later. There are so very many important questions to be settled this year (1908). Presidential election, bishops, etc. We appreciated Bishop Vincent's address to the Y. M. C. A. and Mr. Andrew Carenegie's speech. Yes, the Negro is coming. If you send me some sample copies I will try to dispose of them to advantage. Also send some notes, etc. Again thanking you, I am,

Truly yours,
M. M. AVENT.
Mounds, Ill., R. F. D. 1.

Greenfield, Ill., Jan. 7, 1908.
Editor The Freeman:

Dear Sir—Enclosed, you will find P. O. order of $1.50 to renew my subscription for the year 1908.

Yours,
W. C. L. BURGHART,
Greenfield, Ill.

Editor The Freeman:

Your communication of recent date to hand. You will find enclosed a post-office order for $1.50 for renewal of my subscription. Hoping you had a Merry Christmas, and wishing you a prosperous New Year, I am,

Ever Yours,
J. H. DIXON.

Mansfield, Ill., Jan. 6, 1908.
Editor The Freeman:

Dear Sir—Please find inclosed my check for $1.50, for which send to my address The Freeman.

Yours truly,
J. R. WARD.

Hadnot, La., Jan. 1, 1908.
Editor The Freeman:

Inclosed please find order for renewal of my subscription to your paper. Hope you may live long to plead the cause of our people.

Yours very truly,
JACKSON TADEMY.

East Orange, N. J., Jan. 5, 1908.
Editor The Freeman:

Dear Sir—Yours was received and in reply I will enclose you the amount for 1908, and wish you the success that is due you for engineering your successful paper for so many years. I wish you and your staff a happy Neaw Year. DANIEL W. BROWN.

Jonesville, La., Jan. 6, 1908.
Editor The Freeman:

Dear Sir—Inclosed, please find $1.50 money order as payment to The Freeman for 1908.

Please see that it is sent every week. I don't want to miss a copy if possible. Yours truly,
J. H. WASHINGTON.

Washington, Pa., Jan. 2, 1908.
Editor The Freeman:

My Dear Sir—Inclosed, please find P. O. order for papers for January, 1909, subscription. Please acknowledge inclosed slip and return. Wishing you all a prosperous year, I remain a subscriber.

A. A. STEWART.
122 East R. R. St.

Centralia, Ill., Jan. 6, 1908.
Editor The Freeman:

You will find enclosed $1.50 for one year's subscription to The Freeman, of which I was a subscriber during last year. It is one of the best papers I ever read, for the simple reason it gives what the Negro is doing. HENRY LEAKE,
603 Cormick St. Centralia, Ill.

Navasota, Tex., Jan. 6, 1908.
Editor The Freeman:

Dear Sir—Herewith, I inclose you order for a removal of my subscription to The Freeman for 1908.

I do this from the fact that I have been a subscriber to your paper fifteen years. Later on, if I can induce a few persons to subscribe, I will send in their subscriptions.

I am still most highly pleased with The Freeman and think it should be constantly read in every home in the United States. Respectfully,
R. P. NEAL.

Reno, Nev., Jan. 9, 1908.
Editor Freeman:

I get my paper regularly and never fail to recommend it to all who are interested in what our race is doing. I find that many of our people out here have no idea of the progress that we have been making in recent years.

Wishing you unbounded success in the efforts that are being put forth for the uplift of the race, I am,

Very respectfully,
OSCAR H. HAMMONDS.
Reno, Nev.

COLLEGE HEIGHTS.

We take pleasure in presenting the foregoing letter from the pen of Mr. Faver, who, as he says, was elected County Commissioner in Logan County, in which is situated the city of Guthrie. Long since we have set forth the glories of the section over which hangs the sun as if it were its perpetual abiding place. The section is ideal from the standpoint of climate. Radiating from Guthrie and College Heights in every direction are great stretches of land whose fertility is natural, owing to the ages of decaying vegetation, and now prime for the uses of man. We mention the agricultural prospects because that community, like all beginning communities, is dependent at first on the fields. The hunger of man is first to be staunched; the stomach once cared for, man is ready to turn his attention to the arts and sciences. Guthrie has long since passed the experimental stage; it has moved up, and with it the prospects of College Heights have gone up, since it adjoins Guthrie and partakes of the same benefits.

College Heights is especially recommended to those that have in mind locating in a city that has been planned with a forethought to every advantage—the railroad, the schoolhouse, the church, and every other known convenience to modern cities. The town is beautifully platted, streets regularly laid out, the object being to make a model city. The colored people are especially solicited to become purchasers of these beautiful high ground lots. The election of Mr. Faver as County Commissioner assures the kind of people that make up the community. The town is growing rapidly. The value of the lots will greatly increase in a short while. Those having money for which they have no immediate use would do well to invest here. You can't lose. Very little per cent. is paid in the bank—4 per cent. at the most. Lots in College Heights now valued at $150 and $200 are expected to be worth not less than $200 and $250 respectively a year hence.

Bear in mind that Guthrie and College Heights are not boom towns. Guthrie has more than 30,000 people—solid citizens. Men of means are there; they have reared up banks and substantial business places. The vicinity is new; it means plenty of work for the colored man, the woman. With these very great inducements such as are not known elsewhere, College Heights will soon be known far and wide. The colored people will have matters very much in their own hands if they will act quickly. And they should act quickly, taking advantage of the very favorable opportunity. Such men as Booker T. Washington and George L. Knox have been on the ground. They speak very commendingly of the efforts of the managers to help colored people get homes. The ground is high and level; you run no risk in buving cranberry swamps according to their statements. Select your lot from the plat with the assurance that it is high and dry. Now is the time to purchase. Full information can be had by addressing Mr. George L. Knox, Freeman office, Shiel Block, Indianapolis, Ind.

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What is a woman profited if she shall gain wealth and social leadership, even the ermine that decks the queen of the smartest of "smart sets," and lose the desire of her heart? To the decision of this momentous question came the heroine of our present tale of love and fashion and "high finance." How the young woman, graced beyond the ordinary with health and beauty, permitted her inborn desire for wealth and power to swerve her from the path plainly marked out for her by love and natural fitness, is told vividly, graphically and powerfully. Of minor characters, in whom may be discerned the many types that go to make up brilliant, fashionable, sordid Society, there is no lack. Not minor, however, but drawn in bold, clear lines, is the man who offered to the girl of his choice all he himself had—a "fighting chance" of life and love and happiness.

CHAPTER ONE

THE speed of the train slackened. A broad tidal river flashed into sight below the trestle, spreading away on either hand through yellowing level meadows. And now, above the roaring undertone of the cars, from far ahead floated back the treble bell notes of the locomotive. There came a gritting vibration of brakes. Slowly, more slowly, the cars glided to a creaking standstill beside a sun scorched platform gay with the bright flutter of sunshades and summer gowns.

"Shotover! Shotover!" rang the far cry along the cars, and an absentminded young man in the Pullman pocketed the uncut magazine he had been dreaming over and, picking up gun case and valise, followed a line of fellow passengers to the open air, where one by one they were engulfed and lost to view amid the gay confusion on the platform.

The absentminded young man, however, did not seem to know exactly where he was bound for. He stood hesitating, leisurely inspecting the flashing ranks of vehicles—depot wagons, omnibuses and motor cars—already eddying around a dusty gravel drive centered by the conventional railroad flower bed and fountain. The long train moved out through the September sunshine amid clouds of snowy steam.

The young man, gun case in one hand, suit case in the other, looked about him in his good humored, leisurely manner for anybody or any vehicle which might be waiting for him. His amiable inspection presently brought a bustling baggagemaster within range of vision, and he spoke to this official, mentioning his host's name.

"Lookin' for Mr. Ferrall?" repeated the baggagemaster, spinning a trunk dexterously into rank with its fellows. "Say, one of Mr. Ferrall's men was here just now. There he is over there uncratin' that there bird dog!"

The young man's eyes followed the direction indicated by the grimy thumb. A red faced groom in familiar livery was kneeling beside a dog's traveling crate attempting to unlock it, while behind the bars an excited white setter whined and thrust forth first one silky paw, then the other.

The young man watched the scene for a moment.

"Are you one of Mr. Ferrall's men?" he then asked in his agreeable voice.

The groom looked up, then stood up.

"Yis, sorr."

"Take these. I'm Mr. Siward—for Shotover House. I dare say you have room for me and the dog too."

The groom opened his mouth to speak, but Siward took the crate key from his fingers, knelt and tried the lock. It resisted. From the depths of the crate a beseeching paw fell upon his cuff.

"Certainly, old fellow," he said soothingly. "I know how you feel about it. I know you're in a hurry, and we'll have you out in a second. Steady, boy! Something's jammed, you see. Only one moment now! There you are!"

The dog attempted to bolt as the crate door opened, but the young man caught him by the leather collar, and the groom snapped on a leash.

"Beg pardon, sorr," began the groom, carried almost off his feet by the frantic circling of the dog—"beg pardon, sorr, but I'll be afther seein' if anny of Mr. Ferrall's men drove over for you."

"Oh! Are you not one of Mr. Ferrall's men?"

"Yis, sorr, but I hadn't anny orders to meet anny wan."

"Haven't you anything here to drive me in?"

"Yis, sorr. I'll look to see"—

The raw groom, much embarrassed and keeping his feet with difficulty against the plunging dog, turned toward the gravel drive, where now only a steam motor and a depot wagon remained. As they looked the motor steamed out, honking hoarsely. The depot wagon followed, leaving the circle at the end of the station empty of vehicles.

"Didn't Mr. Ferrall expect me?" asked Siward.

"Aw, yis, sorr, but the gintlemen for Shotover House does ginerally always coom by Black Fells, sorr."

"O Lord!" said the young man. "I remember now. I should have gone on to Black Fells Crossing. Mr. Ferrall wrote me!" Then, amused, "I suppose you have only a baggage wagon here?"

"No, sorr—a phayton," he hesitated.

"Well, isn't a phaeton all right?"

"Yis, sorr, if the yoong lady says so—beg pardon, sorr—Miss Landis is drivin'."

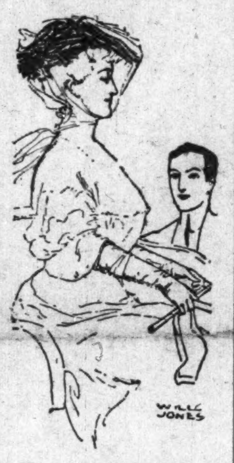
"Oh-h, I see! Is Miss Landis a guest at Shotover House?"

"Yis, sorr, an' if ye would joost ask her—the phayton do be comin' now, sorr!"

The phaeton was coming. The horse, a showy animal, executed side steps. Blue ribbons fluttered from the glittering headstall. A young girl in white was driving.

Siward advanced to the platform's edge as the phaeton drew up. The young lady looked inquiringly at the groom, at the dog and leisurely at him.

So he took off his hat, naming himself in that well bred and agreeable manner characteristic of men of his sort, and even his smile appeared to be part and parcel of a conventional ensemble so harmonious as to remain inconspicuous.



"You should have gone on to Black Fells Crossing."

"You should have gone on to Black Fells Crossing," observed Miss Landis, coolly controlling the nervous horse. "Didn't you know it?"

He said he remembered now that such were the directions given him.

The girl glanced at him incuriously and with more curiosity at the dog. "Is that the Sagamore pup, Flynn?" she asked.

"It is, miss."

"Can't you take him on the rumble with you?" And to Siward, "There is room for your gun and suit case."

"And for me?" he asked, smiling.

"I think so. Be careful of that Sagamore pup, Flynn. Hold him between your knees. Are you ready, Mr. Siward?"

So he climbed in. The groom hoisted the dog to the rumble and sprang up behind. The horse danced and misbehaved, making a spectacle of himself and an agreeable picture of his driver. Then the pretty little phaeton swung northward out of the gravel drive and went whirling along a road all misty with puffs of yellow dust which the afternoon sun turned to floating golden powder.

"Did you send my telegram, Flynn?" she asked without turning her head.

"I did, miss."

It being the most important telegram she had ever sent in all her life, Miss Landis became preoccupied, quite oblivious to extraneous details, including Siward, until the horse began acting badly again. Her slightly disdainful and perfect control of the reins interested the young man. He might have said something civil and conventional about that, but did not make the effort to invade a reserve which appeared to embarrass nobody.

A staccato note from the dog, prolonged infinitely in hysterical crescendo, demanded comment from somebody.

"What is the matter with him, Flynn?" she asked.

Siward said, "You should let him run, Miss Landis."

She nodded, smiling, inattentive, absorbed in her own affairs, still theorizing concerning her telegram. She drove on for awhile and might have forgotten the dog entirely had he not once more lifted his voice in melancholy.

"You say he ought to run for a mile or two? Do you think he'll bolt, Mr. Siward?"

"Is he a new dog?"

"Yes, fresh from the kennels, supposed to be house and wagon broken, steady to shot and wing." She shrugged her pretty shoulders. "You see how he's acting already."

"Do you mind if I try him?" suggested Siward.

"You mean that you are going to let him run?"

"I think so."

"And if he bolts?"

"I'll take my chances."

"Yes, but please consider my chances, Mr. Siward. The dog doesn't belong to me."

"But he ought to run"—

"But suppose he runs away? He's a horridly expensive creature. If you care to take the risk"—

"I'll take the risk," said Siward, smiling, as she drew rein. "Now, Flynn, give me the leash. Quiet! Quiet, puppy! Everything is coming your way. That's the beauty of patience—great thing, patience." He took the leader. The dog sprang from the rumble. "Now, my friend, look at me. No, don't twist and squirm and scramble. Look me square in the eye—so. Now we know each other, and we respect each other, because you are going to be a good puppy and obey. Down charge!"

The dog, trembling with eager comprehension, dropped like a shot, muzzle laid flat between his paws. Siward unleashed him, looked down at him for a second, stooped and caressed the silky head, then, with a laugh, swung himself into the phaeton beside the driver, who, pretty head turned, had been looking on intently.

"Your dog is yard broken," he said. "Look at him."

"I see. Do you think he will follow us?"

"I think so."

The horse started, Miss Landis looking back over her shoulder at the dog, who lay motionless, crouched flat in the road.

Then Siward turned. "Come on, Sagamore!" he said gayly, and the dog sprang forward, circled about the moving phaeton, splitting the air with yelps of ecstasy, then tore ahead, mad with the delight of stretching cramped muscles amid the long rank grass and shrubbery of the roadside.

The girl watched him doubtfully. When he disappeared far away up the road she turned the blue inquiry of her eyes on Siward.

"He'll be back," said the young fellow, laughing, and presently the dog reappeared on a tearing gallop, white flag tossing, glorious in his new liberty, enchanted with the confidence this tall young man had reposed in him—this adorable young man, this wonderful friend who had suddenly appeared to release him from an undignified and abominable situation in a crate.

"A good dog," said Siward, and the girl looked around at him, partly because his voice was pleasant, partly because a vague memory was beginning to stir within her, coupling something unpleasant with the name of Siward.

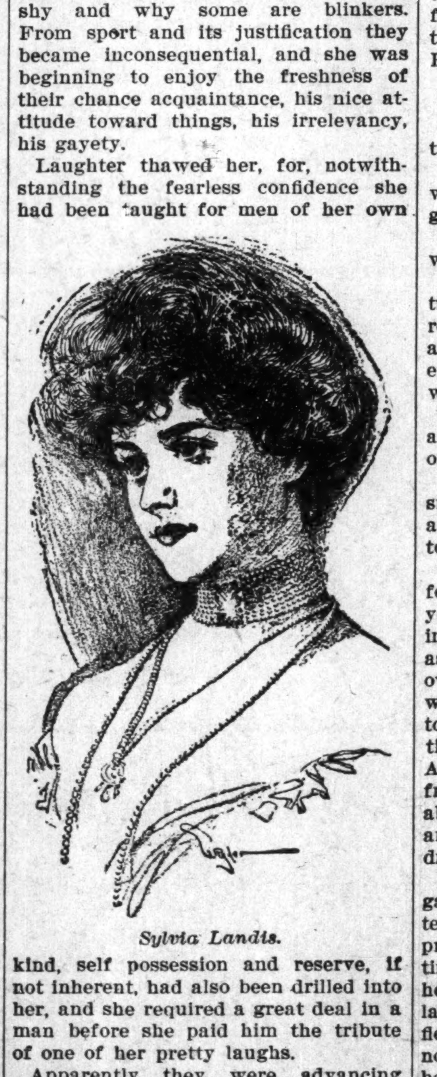
She had been conscious of it when he first named himself, but, absorbed in the overwhelming importance of her telegram, had left the analysis of the matter for the future.

She thought again of her telegram, theorized a little, came to no conclusion, except to let the matter rest for the present, and mentally turned to the next and far less important problem—the question of this rather attractive young man at her side and why the name of Siward should be linked in her mind with anything disagreeable.

Tentatively following the elusive mental clews that might awaken something definite concerning her hazy impression of the man beside her, she spoke pleasantly, conventionally, touching idly any topic that might have a bearing, and, under a self possession so detached as to give an impression of indifference, eyes, ears and intelligence admitted that he was agreeable to look at, pleasant of voice and difficult to reconcile with anything unpleasant.

They discussed shooting and the opening of the season, dogs and the training of dogs and why some go gun shy and why some are blinkers. From sport and its justification they became inconsequential, and she was beginning to enjoy the freshness of their chance acquaintance, his nice attitude toward things, his irrelevancy, his gayety.

Laughter thawed her, for, notwithstanding the fearless confidence she had been taught for men of her own kind, self possession and reserve, if not inherent, had also been drilled into her, and she required a great deal in a man before she paid him the tribute of one of her pretty laughs.



Sylvia Landis.

Apparently they were advancing rather rapidly.

"Don't you think we ought to call the dog in, Mr. Siward?"

"Yes; he's had enough!"

She drew rein. He sprang out and whistled, and the Sagamore pup, dusty and happy, came romping back. Siward motioned him to the rumble, but the dog leaped to the front.

"I don't mind," said the girl. "Let him sit here between us. And you might occupy yourself by pulling some of those burs from his ears if you will."

"Of course I will. Look up here, puppy! No! Don't try to lick my face, for that is bad manners. Demonstrations are odious, as the poet says."

"It's always bad manners, isn't it?" asked Miss Landis.

"What—being affectionate?"

"Yes, and admitting it."

"I believe it is. Do you hear that, Sagamore? But, never mind; I'll break the rules some day when we're alone."

The dog laid one paw on Siward's knee, looking him wistfully in the eyes.

"More demonstrations," observed the girl. "Mr. Siward, you are hugging him! This amounts to a dual conspiracy in bad manners."

"Awfully glad to admit you to the conspiracy," he said. "There's one vacancy—if you are eligible."

"I am. I was discovered recently kissing my saddle mare."

"That settles it! Sagamore, give the young lady the grip."

Sylvia Landis glanced at the dog, then, impulsively shifting the whip to her left hand, held out the right, and very gravely the Sagamore pup laid one paw in her dainty white gloved palm.

"You darling!" murmured the girl, resuming her whip.

"I noticed," observed Siward, "that you are perfectly qualified for membership in our association for the promotion of bad manners—in fact, I should suggest you for the presidency"—

"I suppose you think all sorts of things because I gushed over that dog."

"Of course I do."

"Well, you need not," she rejoined, delicate nose up tilted. "I never kissed a baby in all my life and never mean to, which is probably more than you can say."

"Yes; it is more than I can say."

"That admission elects you president," she concluded. But after a moment's silent driving she turned partly toward him with mock seriousness: "Is it not horribly unnatural in me to feel that way about babies—and about people too? I simply cannot endure demonstrations. As for dogs and horses—well, I've admitted how I behave, and, being so shamelessly affectionate by disposition, why can't I be nice to babies? I've a hazy but dreadful notion that there's something wrong about me, Mr. Siward."

He scrutinized the pretty features anxiously. "I can't see it," he said.

"But I mean it—almost seriously. I don't want to be so aloof, but I don't like to touch other people. It is rather horrid of me, I suppose, to be like those silky, plumy, luxurious Angora cats, who never are civil to you and who always jump out of your arms at the first opportunity."

He laughed, and there was malice in his eyes, but he did not know her well enough to pursue the subject through so easy an opening.

It had occurred to her, too, that her simile might invite elaboration, and she sensed the laugh in his silence and liked him for remaining silent where he might easily have been wittily otherwise.

This set her so much at ease, left her so confident, that they were on terms of gayest understanding presently, she gossiping about the guests at Shotover House, outlining the diversions planned for the two weeks before them.

"But we shall see little of one another. You will be shooting most of the time," she said, with the very faintest hint of challenge—too delicate, too impersonal, to savor of coquetry. But the germ of it was there.

"Do you shoot?"

"Yes. Why?"

"I am reconciled to the shooting, then."

She laughed and started to flick her whip, but at her first motion the horse gave trouble.

"The bit doesn't fit," observed Siward.

"You are perfectly right," she returned, surprised. "I ought to have remembered. It is shameful to drive a horse improperly bitted." And after a moment: "You are considerate toward animals. It is good in a man."

"Oh, it's no merit. When animals are uncomfortable it worries me. It's one sort of selfishness, you see."

"What nonsense!" she said, and her smile was very friendly. "Why doesn't a nice man ever admit he's nice when told so?"

It seems they had advanced that far, for she was beginning to find this young man not only safe, but promising. She had met nobody recently half as amusing, and the outlook at Shotover House had been unpromising with only the overgrateful Page twins to practice on, the other men collectively and individually boring her. And suddenly, welcome as manna from the sky, behold this highly agreeable boy to play with—until Quarrier arrived! Her telegram had been addressed to Mr. Quarrier.

It was perhaps the reaction of her gayety that recalled to her mind her telegram. The telegram had been her promised answer after she had had time to consider a suggestion made to her by a Mr. Howard Quarrier. The last week at Shotover permitted reflection, and, while her telegram was no complete answer to the suggestion he had made, it contained material of interest in the eight words, "I will consider your request when you arrive."

"I wonder if you know Howard Quarrier," she said.

After a second's hesitation he replied: "Yes, a little. Everybody does."

"You do know him?"

"Only at the club."

"Oh, the Lenox?"

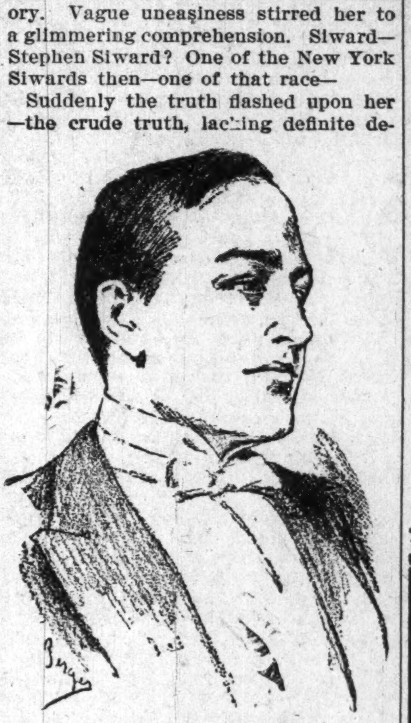
"The Lenox and the Patroons."

Preoccupied, driving with careless, almost inattentive, perfection, she thought idly of her twenty-three years, wondering how life could have passed so quickly, leaving her already stranded on the shoals of an engagement to marry Howard Quarrier. Then her thoughts, errant, wandered half the world over before they returned to Siward, and when at length they did, and meaning to be civil, she spoke again of his acquaintance with Quarrier at the Patroons club, the club itself being sufficient to settle Siward's status in every community.

"I'm trying to remember what it is I have heard about you," she continued amiably. "You are"—

An odd expression in his eyes arrested her long enough to note their color and expression, and she continued pleasantly: "You are Stephen Siward, are you not? You see, I know your name perfectly well." Her straight brows contracted a trifle. She drove on, lips compressed, following an elusive train of thought which vaguely, persistently, coupled his name with something indefinitely unpleasant. And she could not reconcile this with his appearance. However, the train of unlinked ideas which she pursued began to form the semblance of a chain. Coupling his name with Quarrier's and with a club aroused memory. Vague uneasiness stirred her to a glimmering comprehension. Siward—Stephen Siward? One of the New York Siwards then—one of that race—

Suddenly the truth flashed upon her—the crude truth, lacking definite detail, lacking circumstance and color and atmosphere—merely the raw and ugly truth.



Stephen Siward.

Had he looked at her, and he did once, he could have seen only the unruffled and very sweet profile of a young girl. Composure was one of the masks she had learned to wear when she chose.

"Miss Landis," he said.

"Mr. Siward?" very gently. It was her way to be gentle when generous.

"I think," he said, "that you are beginning to remember where you may have heard my name."

"Yes, a little." She looked at him with the direct gaze of a child, but the lovely eyes were troubled. His smile was not very genuine, but he met her gaze steadily enough.

"It was rather nice of Mrs. Ferrall to ask me," he said, "after the mess I made of things last spring."

"Grace Ferrall is a dear," she replied.

After a moment he ventured, "I suppose you saw it in the papers."

"I think so. I had completely forgotten it. Your name seemed to"—

"I see." Then listlessly, "I couldn't have ventured to remind you that—that perhaps you might not care to be so amiable"—

"Mr. Siward," she said impulsively, "you are nice to me! Why shouldn't I be amiable? It was—it was—I've forgotten just how dreadfully you did behave."

"Pretty badly."

"Very."

"They say so."

"And what is your opinion, Mr. Siward?"

"Oh, I ought to have known better." Something about him reminded her of a bad small boy, and suddenly, in spite of her better sense, in spite of her instinctive caution, she found herself on the very verge of laughter. What was it in the man that disarmed and invited a confidence scarcely justified, it appeared? What was it now that moved her to overlook what few overlook, not the fault, but its publicity? Was it his agreeable bearing, his pleasant badinage, his amiably listless moments of preoccupation, his youth, that appealed to her, aroused her charity, her generosity, her curiosity?

And had other people continued to accept him too? What would Quarrier think of his presence at Shotover? She began to realize that she was a little afraid of Quarrier's opinions, and his opinions were always judgments. However, Grace Ferrall had thought it proper to ask him, and that meant social absolution. As far as that went, she also was perfectly ready to absolve him if he needed it.

"I was wondering," he said, looking up to encounter her clear eyes, "whose house that is over there."

"Beverly Plank's shooting box, Black Fells," she replied, nodding toward the vast pile of blackish rocks against the sky, upon which sprawled a heavy stone house infested with chimneys.

"Plank? Oh, yes."

He smiled to remember the battering blows rained upon the ramparts of society by the master of Black Fells.

But the smile faded, and, glancing at him, the girl was surprised to see the subtle change in his face—the white, worn look, then the listless apathy, which all at once to her hinted of something graver than preoccupation.

"Is that Shotover House?" he asked as they came to the crest of the hillock between them and the sea.

"At last, Mr. Siward," she said mockingly, "and now your troubles are nearly ended."

"And yours, Miss Landis?"

"I don't know," she murmured to herself, thinking of the telegram with the faintest misgiving.

Theory had almost decided her to answer Mr. Quarrier's suggestion with a "Yes." However, he was coming from the lakes in a day or two. She would decide definitely when she had discussed the matter with him.

"I wish that I owned this dog," observed Siward as the phaeton entered the macadamized drive.

"I wish so, too," she said, "but he belongs to Mr. Quarrier."

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SATURDAY, JAN. 25, 1908.

To spit or not to spit, that's the question.

Perhaps the "angry" front of our fleet was not appreciated.

Miners in convention. The colored brother is among them in "quantity."

The Haytian government made quick work of the incipient revolution.

Ray Stannard Baker's Indianapolis deal may have been square, but it was decidedly cold.

Do not spit on the Indianapolis sidewalks. You do so at your peril. Two dollars and cost, and such like, is the penalty.

Acquiescing in "Jim Crow" doctrine is merely a concession to might. They are neither cowards nor weaklings when overcome by physical or any other superior force.

The National Baptist Sunday School Lesson Commentary for 1908 is just out. In every way the publication is highly meritorious and a credit to the editors and compilers.

Rev. Dr. L. G. Jordan, of Louisville, Ky., was in the city last week, in company with Rev. Dr. H. Proud, of Wemarara, British Guiana, South America. During their stay they called on The Freeman office.

Governor Vardaman, of Mississippi, who has recently retired from office, has concluded to enter the journalistic field. In such an event he will hardly expect congratulations of the colored people.

Secretary of War W. H. Taft has done some good work on his boom since he reached home. Mr. Taft is conceded by all to be a very able man. It is thought that the Roosevelt influence is a handicap, but they have not stopped to think of his chances had it not been for Mr. Roosevelt.

If the State says it, and the Supreme Court says it, and the Interstate Commerce Commission says it, although it was not necessary for it to say it, what can be done about it? And since we are to have the abominations, "Jim Crow" cars, by all means let us have the best "Jim Crow" cars.

It is a pity that Admiral Brownson felt the necessity of resigning the navy after forty-six years of continuous service. The question of who's who is of much importance in some circles, it appears. The President, however, doesn't seem to have the same kind of regard for army and navy niceties, evidently holding the whole business small and foolish.

We ought to be prayerful, in view of the money stringency, for this very delightful weather. It looks extremely blue for ice next summer, however, but ice is a luxury. Most of us can manage to get along without a great deal of it. Local coal men have long since prepared to hedge by taking on ice as a part of the business. They can't miss it. Those who are best able to pay for it, need it most, and will have it at any price. So the ice-coal man will even up in the long run.

Governor Vardaman, of Mississippi, is entitled to the distinction of being the Nemesis of the Negro race. In his recent farewell speech to the Legislature of the State he recommended the following budget as it concerns Negroes: A memorial to Congress to repeal the Fifteenth amendment; a division of the school fund between the races; industrial education only for Negro children; separate sleeping and dining cars between the races. He needs the awakening conscience.

The spectator visiting Indianapolis will see the colored people in various pursuits, nothing like what they should be doing, but doing fairly well at this time. The commercial spirit is not very big; in fact, the thing seems to be at odds with their nature. A foreigner will take a pack on his back, or will invest in a push cart and bananas, oranges, or what not, but somehow the race has the big feeling and could not bend to such "trifles." Trifles indeed! Never; but the race isn't used to it, and at this late day to see one thus engaged would be a laughing proposition.

The glory of Booker T. Washington has not been dimmed. The recent Carnegie Hall meeting in New York was excellent testimony of the great regard in which he is held by those who are strong and influential. The colored people generally ought to feel that they share in the honor shown Mr. Washington on that occasion. The object of the meeting was to raise $70,000 for the Tuskegee Institute, and doubtless the sum desired will find its way to Mr. Washington's school. Beyond the immediate benefit that follows the meeting is that which spreads out over the race, lifting it up, causing it to look up and take hope, because of those that are declaring to work for its greater citizenship.

"Facts and Fun" is a little publication of verses and selections in prose, and further known as "A Book of Thrilling Stories," by Eugene Berry. Mr. Berry is of North Carolina. The little volume, according to Mr. Berry, was composed when he was twelve years old. At that age whatever one might do along literary lines would not be very startling; his verses are pleasing enough, yet they are jingles, on the order of the nursery. This is not meant as a reflection on Mr. Berry, since many great men have done the things that come within range of the child mind. What he did at that age was promising. The question arising is, what has Mr. Berry to offer at his present age, when he is supposed to have expanded in all ways?

Indianapolis will entertain Jack Blackburn, the fighter who claims the welterweight championship of the world, the first three days of next week when he will visit his home town as an extra attraction with the famous Reilly & Woods show, which will be at the Empire Theater.

When he left the Hoosier capital some six years ago, Blackburn was practically unknown outside of Indiana as a boxer. He went to Philadelphia, and there fought his way to recognition by meeting every man with whom he could get a match. Today he is recognized as the best man at his weight in America, and he comes back to him home with the record of having one decision over Je Gans, and two draws with him. Every fighter at his weight in America today positvely refuses to meet Blackburn. The opinion is too prevalent taht it would mean defeat and oblivion for them if they would meet him.

Blackburn is the idol of the Philadelphia fight fans. For over a year he has been unable to get matches with any but middle and heavyweight fighters, but the Philadelphians have such confidence in him that they will put all their money on him, regardless of whom he fights. Blackburn will spar three fast rounds with his brother Fred next week and will also meet all local comers.

NEGRO WINS PRELIMINARY SKIRMISH IN COURT ROOM.

Alfred Carter, the Negro who brought suit against the Indiana Hotel Company, specifically against the management of the Claypool Hotel, when he was ejected from the elevator on account of his color, scored a point in the Circuit Court when Judge H. C. Allen overruled a demurrer to the declaration filed by Attorney B. B. Watson, representing Carter.

On the ground that the statutes provide only that no discrimination shall be made against any "guests" at a hotel on account of their color, the hotel management's attorneys demurred to the allegations set up in the bill, but the court held that Carter was practically a guest when he visited the hotel to attend a meeting of Prohibition forces. When objection was raised to Carter entering the elevator as a passenger among white persons the operator requested him to take another car, all of which caused indignation among the persons who were attending the meeting.

Carter will be remembered as the colored man whom the manager of the Claypool Hotel refused the privilege of the elevator, although a guest of the house. This was during the recent Prohibition convention. Carter carried the case to court. It appears that he has won in a preliminary skirmish, which points the way to a decision in his favor. The case has attracted considerable attention, since the Claypool is one of the leading hotels of the city and considered one of the best in the country, and because of the practice of refusing colored men the privilege of the passenger elevator. Being a guest of the house entitled Mr. Carter to consideration. Then, besides, the Claypool will not be burdened by Negroes as guests, so it might waive the asserted privilege when one comes along with the price. The question belongs to the same one—race—and were they all taken to court the judge would have to set up o' nights to hear them.

The colored people of this community know conditions; the white people know them. All we hope is for the best, for that decision giving the best result for to-morrow and next day, as well as to-day.

THE NESTOR OF THE NEGRO PRESS.

Mr. Wm. H. Steward, editor of the American Baptist, of Louisville, Ky., in discussing the question as to who should be the nestor of the Negro press, asserts his claim in the following very modest way:

"We doubt whether Bro. Fortune was really entitled to that distinction, if connection with an established newspaper is to be the standard. This paper was issued under its present name the first Friday in January, 1879, and its present editor has been connected with it from that day until the present time. Now let the old and young newspaper men put themselves on record and settle the question as to who is the nestor of the Negro press. Don't let all speak at once."

From 1879 to 1908 is a good long stretch, and it is doubtful if there is another colored newspaper man that has been so long in the business. It is said that Harry Smith, of the Cleveland Gazette, lays claim to the distinguished honor, but in view of Mr. Steward's long service Mr. Smith will have to give into the hale, hearty, jovial Steward, who, in speaking to the point of age, says: "Old age is honorable, especially where it is crowded full of good deeds, and there is no use of the boys dodging in consequence at this late day." Brother Steward may be way long in years, but in activity he is many years his own junior. Unless new claimants arise to contest the distinction with him, The Freeman is willing to acknowledge him the nestor, or the dean, or whatever title indicative of valorous service as a knight of the quill. Long live the Nestor!

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Mr. Henry Davis has a position at Dunaran.

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Miss Maggie Porter and son are visiting in the country.

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Rev. H. Harvey, of Hannibal, Mo., is holding revival meetings here.

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Mrs. Mary Maxley, of South Clay Ave., was on the sick list last week.

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The dance given on January 15, at Co. L. Hall, was largely attended.

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The Friday Art Club met recently with Mrs. W. M. Cooper, 500 S. Clay street.

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Mrs. William Moore and daughter left recently for Metropolis, Ill., to visit relatives.

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The remains of Mrs. Allie Higgins Norton were taken to Bowling Green, Mo., for burial.

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Mrs. William Taylor was royallly entertained recently at he home of Mrs. John Brown.

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Miss Florence Schooler, wha has been holding revival meetings here, left January 17 for Missouri.

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The Domestic Social Club met recently with Mrs. James Young on Marion St. A very pleasant meeting was held.

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Mrs. W. M. Taylor left recently for her home in Indianapolis, Ind., to reside. Her many friends regret to see her leave. She was accompanied by Miss Lizzie Dilliard and daughter, who will also reside there.

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J. Wilson, Mrs. Sarah Perkins, Mrs. Sarah Douglass, Miss Taylor in S. West St., and Mrs. Samuels, in S. Church street, are ill. Mrs. Clara Edwardsa nd Samuel Abbington and Lafayette Rice are improving.

BON TONS.

Next week's attraction at the Gayety will be the show which as a wheel of merriment has proved to be one of the season's sensations. The Bon Ton Burlesquers present a varied entertainment, full of laughs and song, in a frame work of beauty. The opening event is called "Pousse Cafe," and is one of those rare but always enjoyable rapid fire comic sketches, with quick dances of bright song and beautiful women, and is followed by a series of advanced vaudeville, consisting of "The Girl with the Red Mask," Six English Cocktails, Rawson and Clare in "Just Kids," Woods and Green, "Hall-Room Boys," and Ben Pierce, that funny little German. The closing burlesque is "Girl From Mars," a spectacular production, presents various scenes of splendor, the scientific effects, costuming, etc., of which are said to be marvelously magnificent. The entire big company, which is what might be termed a small comic opera, the book, lyrics and music all being esspecially written. It is in this where the dazzling "Great White Way" and singing beauties will be seen in grand array.

PEORIA, ILL.

Mr. and Mrs. Jordan are the proud parents of a baby boy.

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The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shoots is much improved.

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Mr. Johnson, father of Mrs. Henry, is seriously ill at his home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Myers, of Indianapolis, have returned to Peoria.

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Mr. Stevenson, of Bureau, spent several days in the city the past week.

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Mrs. Quinn and three children, of Cleveland, have moved to Peoria.

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Rev. Chambers, of Chicago, preached at the A. M. E. Church Sunday evening.

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Mrs. Williams, of Chicago, has returned home after a short visit with Mrs. Summers.

Mrs. Marshall Yates-Burris has already proven quite an addition to the younger society.

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Dr. Asker, of Chicago, has been added to our list of colored physicians practicing in the city.

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The "Smart Set" played to crewded houses during their four days' engagegagement in the city.

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Miss Mamie Jackson and brother, Harry, were guests of Mrs. Ida Sanford during the week.

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Mrs. William Bailey is able to be up and around after a severe illness of four weeks' duration.

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Mr. Lynch Conway accompanied the High School Basket Ball team to Decatur and Champaign, Friday and Saturday.

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Mrs. Dudley died of heart failure the 9th and was buried from Mt. Zion's Baptist Church. Miss Florence Dudley returned from Chicago after only a week's absence to attend the funeral of his mother.

CARNEGIE HALL MEETING

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scene to lighten the gloom and point the way.

"It rejoices me to stand by him to hold up his hands. Nobody can go to Tuskegee and see what I saw there, and come away without being impressed. Ever since I went there, now many years ago, I have been filled with hope; for though the institution of African slavery is dead, and thank the Lord of Hosts for that, the Negro is here; he is here in ever increasing numbers, and he is here to stay. All schemes for getting rid of him are fantastic, and, if attempted, would prove abortive. He must be developed on new lines, educated to an anomalous situation, and resolve into the body of society, not as an irritant, but as a natural, indispensable component part. That's the problem."

Mr. Washington's speech was along the usual lines, insisting that the welfare of the colored people lay along the lines of self-help and education.

The meeting was a success in every way. The well-known Mr. Seth Low presided. Letters from eminent individuals were read, among which were those from Cardinal Gibbons and the British Ambassador, Hon. James Bryce, and of sentiments similar to those of the speeches.

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which should have much to do with their status as men and citizens.

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The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Industrial and Development Corporation is a comparatively new institution, inorporated under the laws of the State of New York by the A. M. E. Zion Church, with a capital stock of $100,000. Shares are held at $5. Three series of bonds, drawing 5 per cent., have been issued, and are being pretty generally taken by the members of the Zion Church. The money derived from the sale of stock and the earnings are invested largely in mortgages recommended by the Church Extension Board of the Zion connection, which are considered gilt-edged securities. The movement is a broad financial plan, by which the enormous interest now being paid to banks and loan concerns can be kept within the race, and the struggling churches assisted by the money of their own people, each result being a long step in the direction of racial self-government and self-help. It is confidently expected that the corporation will soon be able to pay its stockholders 7 per cent. per annum on their investments. The officers are Bishop Alexander Walters, president; Bishop T. H. Lomax, vice president; Rev. F. M. Jacobs, secretary; Rev. M. R. Franklin, treasurer. It is understood that the financial operations of the institution will be superintended by Mr. Robert W. Taylor, late financial agent of Tuskegee Institute, who has made a highly successful entrance into the stock market of New York in the heart of the Wall street section. All of the men connected with the enterprise are substantial citizens, and have had large experience in financial matters. Temporary headquarters have been opened at 420 South Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa. R. W. THOMPSON.

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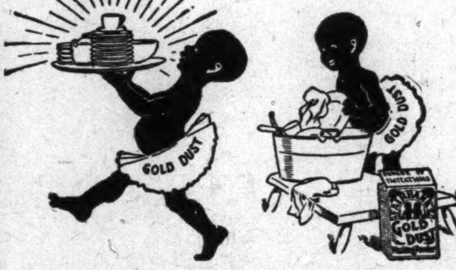

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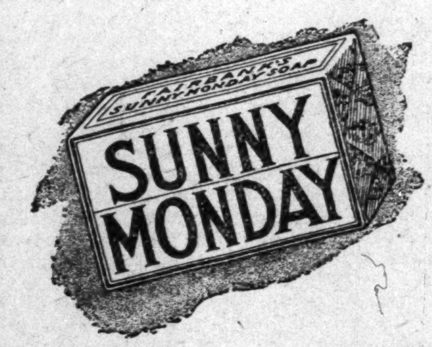

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THE N. K. FAIRBANKS COMPANY, Makers, Chicago.

The Bradfords were seen at the Harlem last week.

John H. Jones wishes to be remembered to Robert Gant and James Walfscale.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hafilton send their regards to the Southern Comedy Company.

LeRoy Bland, the character impersonator, is appearing at the Park Theater, Chicago, this week.

The Imperial Quartette, under the management of J. H. Thomas, is working a special engagement at the Gillsy Hotel, Cleveland, O.

The Mayor of Evansville, Ind., has issued an order barring chorus girls appearing in tights and may show ankles only. This order is the result of incessant work of the Ministerial Association of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton, known as the teaf of Hafilton & Trice, have recently closed a very successful engagement at the Parlor Vaudeville Theater, and will probably appear with the Campbell Bros. for a season.

G. Blondin Thomas writes that he has finished his timely topical musical comedy, "Friday, the 13th," and that it is being considered by the amusement director of the Pekin Theatre, Chicago. The piece is in three acts and three scenes. Mr. Thomas and daughter will be seen in vaudeville this fall.

Jack Blackburn, the Indianapolis colored welterweight fighter, who has defeated good men in all classes in the last four years around Philadelphia, will make his appearance in this city on Jan. 30, when he will begin his three days' engagement at the Empire Theater in sparring exhibitions with some of the local boxers. Blackburn has been fattening his bank account at the six-round game around Philadelphia and has had a pretty soft time against his opponents.

Samuel Clark, of Columbus, O., has built an $18,000 Theatre to be used for Negro vaudeville and musical comedy, with every modern improvement, and a seating capacity of 100 people. No doubt this will be great news to the colored profession, as any one who ever showed here knows, it is the greatest show town in this country. The theatre will be completed on or about February 15th, and no later than March 1st. The house will open for week stands and will be glad to hear from first-class performers who can furnish enough people for at least two and one-half hours' of amusement. An ochestra of ten men has been engaged. A 40,000 Negro theatre located on one of the business streets and in a colored settlement of 15,000 Negroes. The theatre is under the management of Thos. Howard, manager Popls Band. Here is an opportunity to the Negro professions.

CONEY ISLAND MINSTRELS.

The company is at a height of success in the State of Georgia, where the grass is still green and the fragrance of the flowers fills the air with the sweetest perfume. Miss Stella Crumley, the noted eccentric soprano, is a great help to the company. Kid Willie, the 12-year-old contortionist, is a wonder. Samuel Jones, the great singing comedian, is singing the feature song of the show, Robert C. White's latest, the name and title of the song being prohibited, owing to copyright, has not been received yet. Look for its advertisement in this paper. The show's success is principally through the management of Robt. C. White, who has scoured the turpentine woods of Arkansaw, the cottonfields of Mississippi, the sugar plantations of Louisiana, the apple orchards of West Virginia, the Irish potato garden of Ohio, and has gotten together 25 all stars in his or her particular line. The show reads as follows: All on for first part—Places, Overture by Orchestra, Popularity Opening Choruses—"We are the Coney Island Minstrels," by White. All be seated by interlocutor, Mr. Wm. Jackson. "Tired of One Night Stands," by Jos. Russell. A Little Loving Now and Then, by Miss Lizzie Berry. Who, Me, I'm Not the Man," by Frank Phillips. "Taint No Use," Henry Hall. "Always Something Wrong," by Miss Nannie Smith. "I've got to Dance," by Kid Smith. Mr. Rich Daniels, Walter Davis, Henry Miller, Nance McDaniels, are all here and doing well. Joseph Russell, Miss Stell Daniels, Miss Ruth Cardy are here. We celebrated Mr. and Mrs. Russell's honey moon at Tennville, Ga. Everybody Received Christmas presents.

FROM A RABBIT'S FOOT COMPANY

We opened our season on the 27th of last May and have had a nice season and the show has given satisfaction all the year and this has been the best financial season we have ever had. All the people are doing well and are happy. We will close our season in Jacksonville, Fla., on the night of Jan. 23 and at this point the show has gone into winter quarters indefinitely, as the date for reopening has not been set by Mr. Pat Chappelle, the owner, on account of his having another show on his hands this year of his own, the Harrison Bros., to get out on the road, also to look after his "Funny Folks," which will not close. He has just closed contracts with Messrs. Douglas & Worthy, the New Orleans owners of the Florida Blossoms. Mr. Chappelle will have the full control of that show in the way of routing the show and making all railroad contracts, etc. Mr. Chappelle has no equal when it comes to handling these kind of shows and parties desiring going into this kind of business will do well to communicate with Mr. Chappelle, as he has proven to be the Black P. T. Barnum, when it comes to the success of a Negro show. The members of a Rabbit's Foot Co. wishes all of the other shows a successful season.

THE DANDY DIXIE MINSTRELS.

Just a glance at the faces of the member of this company, and you can plainly see the results of the many receptions attended by us in the past two weeks. McAllen, the wire-walker, closed with us at Hopkinsville, Ky., to join the Black Patti show. All we ask of Mack is to be very very careful with that red rag. Mr. Voelckel, of the Patti show, joined us at Montgomery, Ala., where we gave two performances to two packed houses. The Montgomery Advertiser says that the Dixie Minstrels is without a doubt the largest and best Negro show to-day on the road. Mr. Voelckel seems to be more pleased with the show every time he sees it. He expects to be with us through the coming week at New Orleans, La.; Birmingham, Ala. Three of our boys, E. B. Dudley, Augustus Stevens and Napoleon Black, were made Elks. That is also the home of Mr. Tabor's, one of our tenor soloists, and he was well received by his many friends. H. S. Wooten made a flying trip from Birmingham to Atlanta, Ga., to see his wife and child. We have received a telegram from the Dandy Dixie Girls Club, 35 in number, at New Orleans, that they have three receptions awaiting us. Sam Davis would like to hear from Wm. Dorsey and Picolo Jones. Arthur Prince sends regards to P. G. Lowery. L. Lamar wishes to be remembered to Ed Frie, with Mahara's show. The Dandy Dixie Minstrels send regards to the Black Patti Co.

PEKIN NOTES.

"Doctor Knight," a three-act musical farce comedy, is now holding its regular two weeks' reception at the Pekin, with Harrison Stewart in the title role, supported by the full strength of the Pekin Stock Company. This laughing vehicle is by Flournoy Millera nd Aubrey Lyles, two young colored writers. The music arranged by James T. Byrmn is making its usual hits. The piece is staged under the ppersonal direction of Mr. J. Ed Green. Judging from the tremendous applause given this piece at each performance, it is safe ot say that its run will be a success.

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H. Lawrence Freeman's arrangement of old-time Negro melodies, melodies, called "tone picture," is received with enthusiasm by the patrons of the Pekin Theatre. These melodies are presented with a view of exhibiting the possibilities along the lines of higher art.

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J. Ras Jones, of the Pekin, is still confined to his bed, but is improved at this writing.

Alberta CHRISTY.

ERNEST HOGAN COMPELLED TO GUIT ON ACCOUNT OF GENERAL BREAKDOWN.

With his show, the "Oyster Man," doing a big business and prospects bright for a lucrative season, Ernest Hogan, actor-comedian, has been compelled to quit work on account of a general breaking down. Mr. Hogan has been in ill health since his new show opened, as he attempted too much during the rehearsals of the "Oyster Man" last summer. Besides assisting in composing the music and writing the book, "the unbleached American" staged the show and made his speaking part, entirely too much work for one man. As a result it is now necessary for him to spend about six weeks in the mountains before he can resume work.

Hurtig and Seamon concluded to send their star to the mountains for his health last week. At the Globe theatre, Boston, on Monday afternoon, Mr. Hogan managed to play his part, but in the evening almost collapsed from physical exertion. At the 14th street theatre, New York, Mr. Hogan had a similar experience two weeks ago and during the week only appeared in Monday's performances.

Just whether the company will have to lay off until the comedian's recovery has not been decided. This week the "Oyster Man" is being played at Providence with John Rucker in the title role. In such towns as Baltimore, Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Kansas City, Chicago, St. Louis and Brooklyn, where the show is booked, it is hardly likely that the "Oyster Man" will be seen until Mr. Hogan recuperates and is able to work; but according to information from the Hurtig and Seamon office, there is a possibility of the show doing a number of one and three night stands with Mr. Rucker as the star, pending Mr. Hogan's recovery.

Many reports have been circulated regarding "the unbleached American's" condition, but if he remains in the mountains for five or six weeks there is no question but that he will be able to resume his role in his new musical comedy.—Lester A. Walton, in the New York Age.

MARSHALL PLANTATION COMEDY COMPANY.

Billy Arnte Writes: Everybody is well and getting along fine at 609 W. Bay street, Jacksonville, Fla., for the winter business is good. We have 25 people with band. Arnte sends best regards to P. G. Lowery & Co., and would like to hear from Chas. R. Fleming and Morse Harris. Write me at The Freeman at once. The company sends best regards to all professionals. Mrs. Gracie Arnte sends best regards to the Beechams, and other friends.

NOTES FROM COLE & JOHNSON'S SHOO-FLY REGIMENT CO.

Miss Mae Belle is quite ill in Chicago.

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Miss Daisy Brown, the dashing soubrette, was ill a few brief moments in Dayton, O.

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Mr. Joseph Porter, the man of the hour, is singing tenor as he never sang before.

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Miss Bessie Sims, the little girl with the wavy hair, continues to have that sweet smile.

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Mr. Henry Gant is wearing a look of satisfaction in Dayton. Why? Ask the lady from Pittsburg.

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Don't ask Tribble what kind of time he had in Dayton—and please don't mention Chicago.

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John Wesley Jenkins, one of the Bode of Edjecution is the real standout man in the Shoo-Fly Regiment.

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Miss Pearl Taylor is rather quiet since leaving Indianapolis. Is it possible she fell in love at The Freeman office.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, as Aunt Phoeby Jackson, wins favor with the audience everywhere the company appears.

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Mr. Louis Mitchell is sick at the Provident Hospital, Chicago. He will be able to join the company in Louisville, Ky.

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Miss Bell Morgan was happy a few days in Chicago last week. And we all wonder why. She must have seen somebody.

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Miss Fannie Wise is still making a big hit as Rose Maxwell. You all know her—the little girl with the Brown Bear.

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Mr. Frank De Lyons, the man with the big bass voice, is going along in his quiet usual manner. Yes, he can give you a conversation.

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Miss Leona Marshall is over making good with the company and I wish you could see her "On the Gay Luneta, say kid, she is there some.

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Mr. George Brown, the trusted and reliable master of transportation, has turned out to be a fashion plate. The youngsters in the company look out.

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Mr. Sam Lucas, the daddy of the Negro profession, is still getting some of the many laughs that come of every performance of the Shoo-Fly Regiment.

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Mrs. Mollie Dill (Dilsey Lumkins) is the fond mother of all her children on and off the stage. She has a hard time in keeping Arthur Ray (Napoleon) in line.

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Talk about Hoyts "A Contented Woman," if you want to see one go to Dayton, O., and call on Mrs. Marion Smart Moore and you have the play in real life.

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Mr. John Jackson has been to Indianapolis, his dear home. No, there wasn't any brass bands to meet him. But there was somebody else. Use your own judgment.

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Miss Orinea Howard is wearing a smile that won't come off, since leaving Chicago, and the happy family. I don't know; something might happen. You never can tell.

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Messrs. Cole & Johnson, Mr. Sam Lucas and Mr. Harry Williams were guests of Mrs. Marion Smart Moore in Dayton, O., where the Shoo-Fly Regiment appeared Jan. 16, 17 and 18.

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Mr. Theo. L. Pankey continues to stroll along the Gay Luneta. Well, one thing in his favor after teking of the pretty white suit, that is,, O, never mind, gils, he doesn't go in the last act.

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Since speaking of Chicago, a happened to drop in the Pekin about 1 a. m.,a nd behold, what did I see. Just Bob Cole and Harrison Stewart with the cold bottles. All alone, thank you. Stagg like.

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Mr. Wm. Phelps wears his college colors every time the companyshrdl colors in every town the company plays where there is a college. Certainly Mr. Phelps went to the University of Pennsylvania.

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Yes, there is plenty of girls in the Shoo-Fly Regiment with some more coats. Ask Mrs. Anna Cook Pankey, Mrs. Bessie Tribble, Miss Fannie Wise and some others. We care not for rain, zero weather or even July 4. Always ready.

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Mr. Edgar Connor has been despondent the past week, since leaving Chicago, and the gay evenings he spent around The Pekin. Cheer up, little one, everything comes to him who waits and takes their time.

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Miss Ethel James was home last week in Chicago and I hope she come near running wild. Well, we have said farewell to Chicago this season, and Ethel is back among the old folks once again. Let us have peace.

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Miss Mamie Butler, the little girl with the best contralto voice in the wide, wide world, continues to have them going out talking about the girl with the pretty red dress and, O my, what a big voice she has.

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One feature of the Shoo-Fly Regiment which does not appear on the program is the numerous clubs among the members. We have the Violet Social Club, the Whist Club, the Athletic Club and that Pig Ankle Club. Will tell you about them some day.

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Mr. Sam Corker, Jr., had the pleasure of leaving Indianapolis with the company and went as far as Connellsville. Yes, he preached his sermon all the way, and read a merry Shoo-Fly's title clear. But the half ain't never been told.

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Well, our leader, Mr. Harry Williams, will soon be to the dear old Cleveland, his happy home on the hill. Harry says something great is coming off when the show gets there. If it don't beat the Pig Ankles, I'm going to talk about somebody.

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Mr. Arthur Talbert, better known as the Professor, is one of the few legits on and off the stage. Talk about Case Payton, well, you want to meet Arthur off the stage and have a little chat with him. Don't say anything about Canada.

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The Cole & Johnson Company appeared for a benefit for the unemployed in Dayton, O., Sunday, Jan. 19. Over twelve Thousand men were benefited through the kindness of Cole & Johnson. The Benefit was given under the auspices of the Doyton Journal and the mayor of the city, which was a bog success.

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If you never seen the Floridora Sextette or the Merry Widow, you can see where they are distanced after you see the sweet six that goes to Bostown town. Certainly I will tell you who they are: Miss Mamie Butler, Miss Johnie Livingston, Miss Ethel James, Miss Bessie Simms, Miss Leona Marshall and Miss Bessie Tribble. Now there is a real sweet bunch that can't be beat.

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The Shoo-Fly Regiment can justly be called the big family show if you don't think so, drop around some day and peep in Cole & Johnson's dressing room. Mr. J. Rosamond is father and Bob Cole is Uncle Bob, and may be they haven't some family. Here is a few of the many: Daisy Brown, Fanny Wise, Edgar Connor, Arthur Ray, Mamie Butler, Pearl Taylor, Bessie Sims, and others too numerous to mention.

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Christmas with the Shoo-Fly Regiment was spent in Altonna, Pa., and after playing to the two biggest houses in the history of Altoona, the company was requested to journey to the Elwood Hotel where Mr. Phillip Robson, our manager, with Messrs. Cole & Johnson, had prepared one more banquet in honor of there members. It is useless to say what all was there on the table, as it will make your mouth water, and the presents that were exchanged, well, they were something grand. Of course, there was dancing into the wee hours of the morning. Everybody voted Cole & Johnson and Mr. Robson the best ever. Anyhow, every day seems like Christmas with the Shoo-Fly Regiment.

Wm. Pennell, the buck and wing dancer with "In Old Kentucky," is still dancing and sends regards to all friends. Jack Powell is doing fine, and Bud Wilson is still blowing that bag pipe. All the boys send regards to Billy Marshall and Henry Ross.

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SPORTING GOSSIP of the WEEK.

SANTRY SEES NO BOXER LIKE DIXON IN RING NOW.

"Featherweights of to-day scarcely class up with those of several years back when George Dixon was just beginning to hit the downward trail."

This was the statement, several days ago, Eddie Santry, ex-champion featherweight of the world, in discussing the untimely end of the wonderful little colored fighter and a few of his successors in the division that claims a weight of 122 pounds.

"And, further than that," the gray-haired young man said, "there hasn't been an international championship featherweight fight since I whipped Ben Jordan for the title back in August, 1899. They can talk about Attell and Moran boxing for it, but when it is simmered down, you know, Moran is not champion of England. And there you are.

"Frankie Neil went to England and fought Joe Bawker for some sort of a title, but the weight was lighter and Neil at that time could claim only to be 115-pound champion of America or something of the sort.

Dixon Tough Man.

"I boxed Dixon three times and all of them were hard, long fights because Dixon would make you fight every inch of the way, no matter who was winning. There never was a round in which he stalled or rested or attempted to gain time in any way. He was the most desperate fighting machine I ever saw.

"That is why I think that Abe Attell, at his best, never would have had anything on George Dixon at his best in a fight of any length. Dixon had many commendable points as a battler of high degree that I do not I do not think Attell possesses. He was the most aggressive man that ever stpped into a ring, no matter who you may recall, and his awful wallops with either hand made him a fighter much to be dreaded.

Meets Dixon in June, 1898.

"The first time I boxed Dixon was in June, 1898, twenty rounds, in New York City. I thought I had the better of it at the end of twenty rounds, as he did nothing but hang on in the last four rounds, while I was fresh. But the verdict went the other way. Jim Corbett told me the next day to make another match and bet Tom O'Rourke, then his manager, $5,000 on the side and that he would furnish the money. He didn't want it known, however. I put it up to O'Rourke and he lanughed at me. He knew then that Dixon was was beginning to go backward.

"It was my showing in that fight that got me the battle with Ben Jordan, then champion of England. He had just beaten Dixon in twenty-five rounds. We met at 12 pounds at 3 o'clock, and I knocked him out in the sixteenth round. That gave me the international title, and I never lost it, for I never fought for it again at weight.

"And while Terry McGovern was battling around as the featherweight champion he was not able to make the weight and usually forced his opponents to come in at catchweights. This is the way I boxed McGovern here in Chicago.

Dixon Better Than Terry.

"Had Dixon been Dixon when Terry was at ris best I am sure Dixon could have beaten him. Anybody who could stand Terry off for a time and hit him hard could beat him. Young Corbett showed it twice and Dixon would have shown it, too, had he had his full physical powers when he boxed Terry.

"Attell, while a great little boxer, would have had a hard row to hoe had he been fighting around New York when the game was in full blast and there were so many good men boxing. Of course, there was more encouragement given fighters then than there is now. Look over the list of good ones, which included Ben Jordan, Will Curley, Tommy White, Oscar Gardner, Terry McGovern, Dave Sullivan, Marty McCue, Joe Cain, myself, and several others that were close to the top or on top at one time. Every one was as tough as whalebone.

"Knowing these men pretty well, I feel that Attell, at his best, couldn't have done as well as Dixon did. Dixon was the better puncher. In fact, no one of the present day featherweights can possibly be compared to him. His wonderful aggressiveness made him like a game chicken and one could never tell which hand he was going to punch away with. One was as good as the other.

Never Complained in Ring.

"There was one thing about Dixon that made him prominent. Never once did I ever hear of him complaining in the ring. Not once would he appeal to a referee or grumble at an opponent, no matter how rought the fight got. He could be rough, too, but no man can ever say he ever took an unfair advantage in any way. He was the fairest man I ever knew.

"We read in the reports of the Attell-Moran fight that Attell complained to the referee. This makes me think that Dixon was gamer than Attell is now. George was a great deal like Oscar Gardner in many ways. Gardner was one of the stiffest punchers ever known to the ring. He knocked me out once and I know. He also knocked Terry McGovern out once, but he didn't get the fight. However, I wish to say that I reversed the verdict over Gardner, beating him in twenty rounds. He was as much of an iron man as Bill Papke is to-day. He could hit as well with one hand as he could with the other.

Old-Timers Are Best.

"When you shape up the old list of featherweight possibilities and then run your eye over the present day list, which includes Jem Driscoll, champion of England; Abe Attell and Owen Moran, I don't think the present day chap shows very well. One had to fight in those days and there was a new champion every little while.

"From what I can see of the game at the present time I think that Abe Attell, while a clever and brainy young man, has been extremely lucky in that the boxers about him are pretty light as to class and finish."

Santry has aged some in the last three years, but he is still boxing lightweights up in the copper country and doing pretty well. He is one of the close students of the pugilistic game and a decidedly interesting talker.

A SUCCESSFUL MEETING IS SIGHTED.

Organizer Sets Down a Few Suggestions.

From the looks and contents of the letters received this week it is plain to see that the coming meeting of the National Colored Baseball League will be a great success in every particular. Already it has been seen to that every manager or six or seven cities be notified personally of the date of the next meeting, which is to take place at Indianapolis on February 16. It may be possible that the meeting might be held over to the 17th and maphap the 18th. Recently the officers discovered that the majority of the baseball managers of some several cities were in ignorance of the league idea, so a few days ago one of them gave out the following for those of whom find trouble understanding what each team should do in entering the league:

1. Let each city be represented by a stock company fully organized and incorporated under the state law.
2. Each club securing a franchise give a bond to be settled and determined by the board of directaors of the league.
3. See that each city, before securing a franchise, will have a ball paprk properly located in their respective cities and will have the support of the press.
4. Each club assessed the sum of $50 at the next meteing, for the purpose to meet the expenses towards the formation and running the League, to be drafted in the constitution.

Of course, the above is simply a few temporary pointers written by the organizer and approved by the committee. So far, nothing has been taken up concerning the salaries of umpires and players, but there will be a limit.

A small percentage of the receipts from each city be placed in the treasury of the League is the suggestion of the president. He also suggests that the season open May 15 and close September 15, thus avoiding bad weather.

Now, the thing uppermost in the minds of the officials is that every city wishing to come in the league send in a signed pledge that they will attend the meeting on the 16th of February at this office. Send in your manager's name along with the clubs, so that we will know what to do in case your city has not pledged itself. The organizer is anxious to hear from Cincinnati and Nashville, Tenn., especially. Every city has sent some sore of a communication excepting the two cities mentioned, but there is no doubt but what the two will be heard from long before the time for the meeting has been called.

Organizer Marshall thinks a new committee should be appointed on constitution as soon as the present officials may decide. He also asks better support from the vice president and secretaries immediately.

BOARMAN ANXIOUS FOR MATCH.

Lew Boarman, the colored bantamweight, wishes to remind Johnny Coulon that he promised him to talk over terms for a meeting in case he defeated kid Murphy. Boarman is anxious to get the little Chicago West Side star in a contest at 105 pounds at the ringside and believes he can defeat him. Boarman has considerable backing and is willing to post a forfeit to cover a side bet.

DIXON'S CAREER SHOWS EFFECTS OF INDULGENCE.

Death Due to Dissipation—Saved From Potters Field.

George Dixon, the greatest little colored fighter that ever lived, loved by ring followers the whole world over, died at Bellevue Hospital, January 6. He died too soon.

Like a great many other athletes on whom Dame Fortune smiles early, George Dixon took the rosy path which led to his downfall. Success was too great for him. The flowing bowl was too much of a temptation. He loved the plaudits of the good fellows. He stayed up late listening to the stories of his prowess, and little by littlet, Dixon, the greatest featherweight of his time, was reduced to a mere shadow of his former self.

Born in Nova Scotia.

Born in Nova Scotia on July 29, 1870, little Dixon worked until he was about sixteen years of age. He left for Boston then and his career as a pugilist began. He has always been hailed as the "boy from Boston," and like the great John L. Sullivan, was looked upon as a champion born and reared in Massachusetts.

Dixon's career in the ring was meteoric. His first battle was a revelation to the Boston sports and his next fourteen battles were fought in that town without a loss. He then moved around the country a bit and still continued to win.

His Rapid Rise.

Cal McCarthy, at that time the greatest featherweight in the country, was signed to meet Dixon, and one of the greatest fights in the history of pugilism took place on February 7, 1890, in Boston. After seventy rounds of the toughest kind of milling the bout was stopped and declared a draw. After that Dixon went to London, where he beat Nunce Wallace, June 27, 1890, in fifteen rounds, and returned to this country, beating McCarthy in twenty-two rounds at Troy, N. Y., on March 31, 1891. One of his most remarkable bouts was a 25-round draw with Young Griffo, January 25, 1895, at Coney Island on November 27, 1896, he lost to Frank Erne in twenty-five rounds.

He went along swimmingly until January 9, 1900, when he met Terry McGovern, in New York, and lost his heart and title in eight rounds.

Defeat Broke His Heart.

He was never the same Dixon after that. He fought, but like most ex-champions, battled without a heart. He was beaten by Abe Attell, Young Corbett and others. He was the stepping stone for coming champions. His last battle of any consequence was the one with Tommy Murphy, which took place in Philadelphia, Septem-23, 1905, and resulted in a victory for the Harlem lad in two rounds. Since that time Dixon has lived mainly upon his friends.

Last month Terry McGovern and Young Corbett gave Dixon a benefit at a Harlem theater, and it was their intention to repeat the charity upon their return east.

It is too late now. George Dixon is no more.

MAJOR TAYLOR TO RACE ONCE MORSE.

Great Rider Signs to Meet Famous Cycle Riders in Series of Sprint Races at Boston.

Boston (Mass.) Special.—Major Taylor, the Indianapolis Negro, famous from one end of the world to the other on account of his remarkable prowess at pushing bicycles, and the only colored man who can ride as a professional in this country, has been signed by the Park Square track management to race here shortly in a series of sprint races against Frank Kramer, the world's champion; Joe Fogler, of New York, or Iver Lawson, of Chicago.

Taylor, who is acknewledged to be one of the fastest men that ever mounted a wheel, has not appeared in a race on this side of the ocean for five years, in spite of every inducement that has been offered him.

During that time he has not been idle, however, for he has been under contract obroad, riding his last race there against such continental stars as Jacquelin, Dupre and Freol as late as last September.

Taylor is a member of the old school or riders, having rode in his day such noted sprinters as Eddie Bald and Tom Cooper. He has progressed with the game, however, and has been able of late years to hold his own against Kragmer, Lawson, McFarland and Jacquelin.

SOME SPORTING COMMENT.

(By Charles Marshall.

George H. Granger, mizologist at Burley's place, 541 Indiana Ave., enjoys the friendship of most every well-know person in the city. Mr. Granger is a good entertainer as well as a clever mixer. Nothing that you can call but what George does not know something about. He has a good taste in everything, even to clothes, for he has been known as a fashion plate.

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The passing of George Dixon closes the career of one of the greatest fighters the world has ever known. Dixon held the featherweight championship longer than any other champion ever held a title. Holding a championship four or five years ago was something more than a notion to do, for then you had some one to fight. Then they did not know the color line or never squabbled over a pound or two. Dixon fought over 200 of the greatest battles ever fought in any ring and finished amid the world's applause—friend to everybody, and I suppose too much for his own good. But, then, like all of us, he was but a man, possessing all the instincts that is natural for one to have placed in his position. Though he would drink, he was big-hearted; whole-souled and a pride of his race on the other hand.

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As there is an end to everything, so ends the fighting days of Joe Walcott. Only a few nights ago saw him under the mercy of Jimmy Gardner, too weak to retdrn an effertive slap to his opponent. But according to reports it seems that his strength comes and goes, for in his bout with George Cole, recently, he showed a flash of his old-time form. Walcott hammered his man at will, but was unable to score a knockout. Ever since Walcott accidentally shot off a finger several years ago he has been practically out of the pugilistic game, but so long as he stays in the ring fight fans will never forget his remarkable achievements. Without a superior in the welterweight class, Walcott became known as the Giant Killer, because of his ability to beat down pugilists bigger and heavier than himself. His decisive victory over Joe Choynskia nd Dan Creedon made him believe that he could defeat Kid McCoy and even Jim Corbett, but neither of these noted boxers would agree to meet him when he posted a forfeit. Walcott had numerous sensational battles with Mysterious Billy Smith, one of the roughest men who ever drew on a glove, but the stocky Negro more than held his own. Walcott's greatest fight was with Kid LaVigne, the lightweight champion, at Maspeth a dozen years ago, in which Lavigne, after receiving terrific punishment, wore the Negro down and came within an ace of putting him to sleep in the fifteenth and last round. Walcott made a wonderful showing in this mill, as he went out of his class and weakened himself in making a low weight to take Lavigne on. He made a small fortune in the ring, but blew it all, just as Dixon, Sullivan, McGovern, and other fighters have done.

NELSON TO MEET SCALER.

Articles Are Signed for Bout at Los Angeles, January 28.

Los Angeles Special.—Manager McCarey's Northern representative today signed up Battling Nelson and Kid Scaler, to fight here January 28. Bat is scheduled to meet Jack Clifford at Ogden, January 13, but the outcome will have no effect on the match made to-day.

Originally Scaler was to give Bat a $2,500 side bet, but could only raise $1,000. Eddie Graney, the San Francisco promoter, will hold the money and will be at the ringside and decide the winner and hand the money over immediately after the fight.

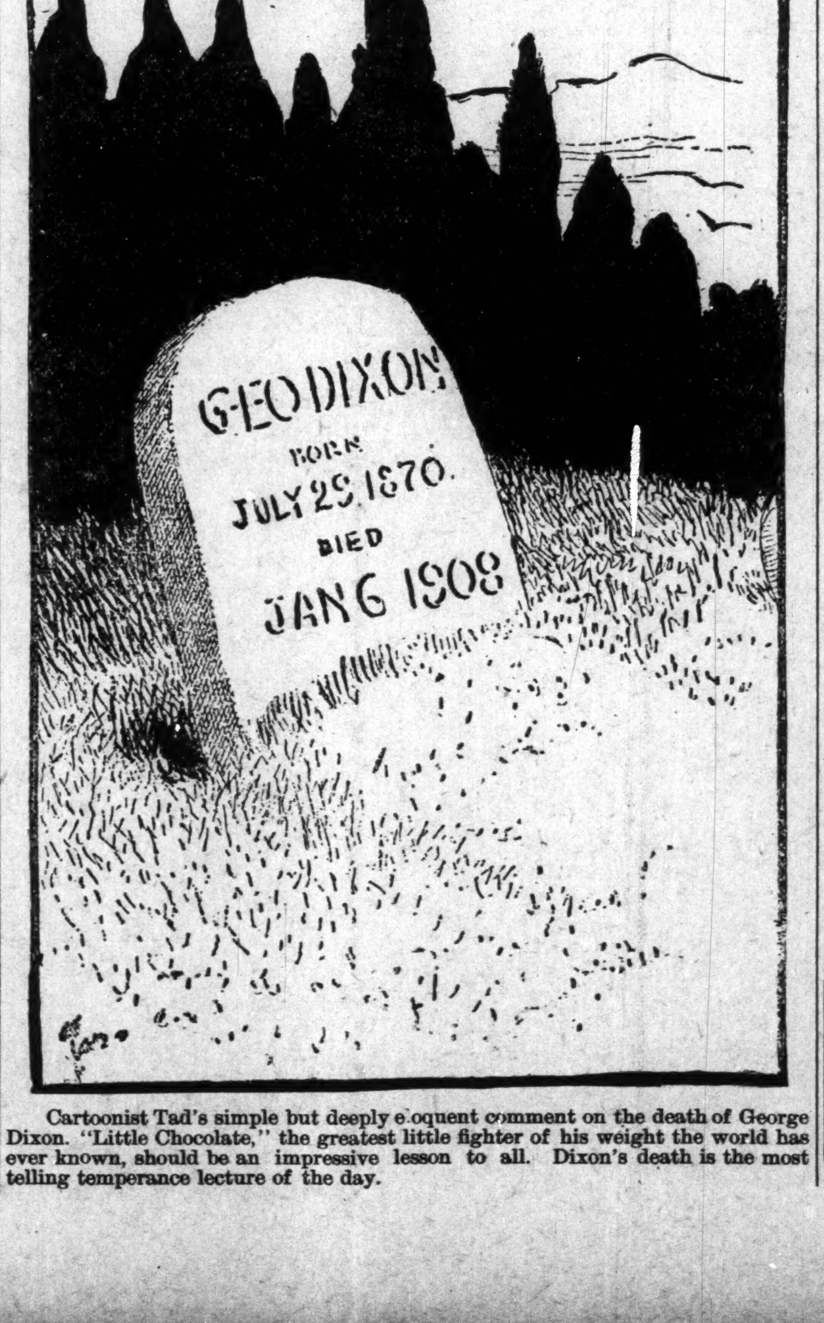
Since the city ordinance went into effect with prohibits a decision being given, the local papers have practically been referees. Bat evidently thinks the local sporting writers are poor referees.

NEGRO REWARDED CARNEGIT MEDAL.

At the fourth annual meeting of the Carnegie hero commission held at Pittsburg, awarded George A. Grant, age thirty-three, of Groton, Conn., on June 23, 1906, was killed in saving the lives of Charles G. Campbell, of Boston, and Charles A. Whipple, of Providence, R. I., by stopping a runaway team.

GRIFF JONES AFTER LANFORD.

Griff Jones, the great Negro light heavyweight, who considers Sam Langford the hardest man in his class at the present time, but is over confident that he can beat him. He says he will chase to the Pacific coast after Lanford.



Cartoonist Tad's simple but deeply eloquent comment on the death of George Dixon. "Little Chocolate," the greatest little fighter of his weight the world has ever known, should be an impressive lesson to all. Dixon's death is the most telling temperance lecture of the day.

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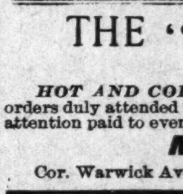

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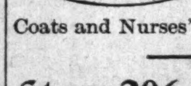

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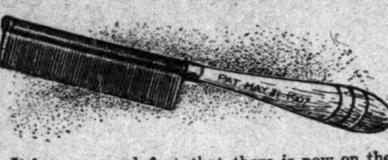

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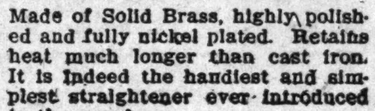

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Of those who work for love and gain.

The fresh New Year may be our last,
But let us strive through every blast
In this wide world so grand and vast
To do some good before it's past!
—John A. Joyce.

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The "pert paragrapher" never lacks readers.

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Even Secretary Taft's bitterest opponents are compelled to admit that he is of presidential size.

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Bishop Turner has married the woman of his choice. What are the other folks going to do about it?

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In the role of "the Mark Hanna of 1908," that astute political Warwick, Frank H. Hitchcock, certainly does "look the part."

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The Fahrenheit thermometers have quit registering the political temperature over in Ohio, until some higher numerals are put in.

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The friends of Mr. Fairbanks say his present title is too long, and it is their intention to amend it by eliminating the word "Vice."

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A hypocrite is described as a man who professes to like his wife's kinfolks, and who pretends that he never has any trouble with his own relations.

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A lady correspondent writes that "affinities" are as much in style as ever, but, like some quite necessary garments, very little need be said about them. Volumes could say no more.

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Former Congressman George H. White says the Negro will "come again," and the halls of Congress which knew him once, is destined to know him again ere long. Let us hope so.

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The hardest blow the movement for a colored suffragan Bishop for the Episcopal church has received is the fact that the notorious Bishop Brown, of Arkansas, announces himself in favor of it.

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Indiana should have a hand in national politics. Has the grand old Hoosier state no colored man ready to graduate from county, city and ward schools of government? Wake up, brethren. It is your play.

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Secretary Taft's able speech to the Merchants' Club of Boston, was a challenge to all opponents to state their position on the issues of the day. What have you in your hands, gentlemen—or up your sleeve?

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The Charleston Advocate has discovered that Speaker Cannon is left-handed, and is consequently rendered unavailable as a candidate for the presidency. No left-handed man has ever been elected to the Chief Magistracy of the Nation.

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Governor Hanly, Chairman Goodrich and Senators Beveridge and Hemenway will be in Indiana's "Big 4" at the Chicago convention. It is said that either Senator Beveridge of Gov. Hanley will make the speech presenting the name of Vive-President Fairbanks for the presidency.

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A newspaper poll of republicans, representing every element of the party, white and colored, in twenty-four counties of Michigan, shows 90 per cent. of the sentiment to be in favor of the nomination of William Howard Taft for President.

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The highly-moral white citizens of Montgomery, Ala., are up in arms because, after a Negro doctor has been unmasked as the instrument used in covering up Caucasian lapses, eighty white children are found to be harbored in Negro families. Awful, isn't it?—not the immorality, but the harboring of the fruit of the same in Negro homes!

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Jack O'Brien, a fake-fighter of the Marvin Hart stripe, has backe out of the proposed mill with Jack Johnson. He has shown his yellow streak. The colored heavy-weight is due to polish off one Tommy Burns, and then the mighty Jeffries will have to stand for a licking—or take the count as an ex-champion, on general principles.

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The colored voters of Ohio have an abiding faith in the leadership of Arthur I. Vorys and the able group of corored lieutenants he has called to his side. Mr. Vorys considers the colored voters an integral part of the republican organization in the Buckeye state and takes their fittest men fully into his confidence of all matters affecting their welfare.

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Dr. James E. Shepard, field secretary of the International Sunday School Asociation, will be a conspicuous figure in the deliberations of the great international Sunday School Convention at Louisville next June. His happily conceived school of theology and industrialism in North Carolina is approaching realization, and the active work of building will be started soon.

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Prominent colored men of Columbus, O., have organized a Taft Club, and elected Rev. J. R. Thomas, president; Rev. R. C. Lowe, vice president; J. E. Moore, secretary; Dr. W. L. Burr, treasurer; John Allen, sergeant-at-arms. Board of Directors: J. S. Jones, John H. Booker, Cyrus A. Jones, Earl Harrington and Riley Dues. The organization will be permanent and an active part will be taken in the coming campaign.

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The Mosaic Guide, of Little Rock, Ark., edited in bright and sparkling fashion by the breezy young quill-driver, Chester Bush, whose status as one of the state's leaders of thought is assured, has a long head for business and exhibits rare discrimination and judgment in the bestowal of his bouquets. The Masaic Guide knows how to appreciate The Freeman and its "brainy" staff-writers—"one of whom we happen to be which."

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Arkansas has 300 Colored Episcopalians. Within the past two years, under the energetic administration of Archdeacon McGuire, the property of the Negro missions has increased in value from $1,200 to nearly $15,000, and the Negro congregations from one to seven. There are two in Little Rock, and one in each of the cities of Pine Bluff, Hot Springs, Fort Smith, Newport and Texarkana. The average support has increased from $75 to $2,000.

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Mr. Alexander Morris, Grand Master of Masons of the jurisdiction of Kentucky, comes out strongly for William Howard Taft for President in the November number of the Colored American Magazine. The article is exceedingly well-written and is full of convincing arguments why our people should prefer the genial War Secretary for the first office under our government. Coming from so influential a factor in Kentucky politics, it is bound to carry great weight.

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Featherweight Champion George Dixon, like all national favorites, has "strutted his brief hour on the stage of life" and passed to "that bourne from whence no traveler e'er returns." 'Twas the old story—wine, women and song. Potter's Field would have been his portion, but for the intervention of a friend. Dixon's meteoric career "points a moral," if it does not "adorn a tale." Why will not other sporting men, in the heydey of popular favor, take heed of the sad lesson it conveys?

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If any able-bodied fellow feels the pangs of jealousy gnawing at his vitals over Bishop Turner's phenomenal success in winning "ye ladyes faire," he will get no sympathy from the mature maidens and willing widows who have been pining lo these many years for a husky board-provider to come along and "pop." To those who complain that the ponce de Leonic prelate has had more than his allotted share of feminine loveliness, they join in a Priscilla-like chorus, "Why don't you speak for yourself, John?"

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Referring to the painful fact that when a lynching or other outrage is perpetrated upon the colored people in the South, we have no means of securing reliable reports and certain white papers place the victims in as bad a light as possible, so as to justify their foul usurpation of the law, the Baltimore Afro-American Ledger, very pertinently says: "Whenever it shall be possible for the Afro-American newspapers to have correspondents in all parts of the country to give the truth of so many of these so-called "race riots." We are endeavoring to get into such a position, and if our people will help, we shall yet be able to do so."

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Prof. E. W. B. Curry, principal of the Curry Normal and Industrial Order of Good Samaritans, editor of the Urbana (O.) Informer, and a temperance lecturer of force and brilliance, undoubtedly has a great future before him. He is doing a prodigious work in the temperance campaign now on in Missouri. It is said that outside of Booker T. Washington, Prof. Curry is the highest priced colored platform attraction in America; and it is given out that just a few weeks ago he refused an offer from a well known lecture bureau of $50 per week and expenses for his exclusive services, and his suggestion of $1,000 per week and expenses is under serious consideration.

COLLEGE HEIGHTS.

College Heights, the addition to Guthrie, Okla., is in every way ideal. School houses, railroads, churches and other conveniences of up to date cities are provided for. The addition is beautifully platted with a forethought of the needs and enjoyment of the coming inhabitants. The colored people are especially solicited to become property owners. The lots are selling at present at low prices. They are expected to greatly increase in the very near future. Guthrie is a substantial, thriving town of thirty thousand inhabitants, where are the homes of many very well to do white and colored citizens. Mr. George L. Knox, of The Freeman, will be pleased to communicate with anyone thinking of making a change of location. Address Freeman office, Indianapolis, Ind.

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CITY AND SOCIETY.

Mrs. A. E. Manning is ill at her home in Tenth street.

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A. E. Manning is in Washington on account of the illness of his brother.

School shoes, the kind that wear, Big 4 Shoe Store, 352 W. Washington St.

P. S. Bishop, of Cleveland, O., was a caller at The Freeman office this week,

If you want the Best Photos, go to Bennetts, 36 E. Washington street.

Mrs. Mamie Adams Paul has gone to Chicago to spend the remainder of the winter.

School shoes the kind that wear, Big 4 Shoe Store, 325 W. Washington St.

Dr. A. J. King will be the speaker at Flanner Guild Sunday and Grace Barbara will render a solo.

Rev. W. W. Smith will occupy the pulpit at Allen Chapel tomorrow morning, giving an illustrated sermon.

Woodbine Perfume, Oh! how fragrant exquisite, enchanting, bewitching. Only at Blodau's Drug Store.

The members of the pro tem body of K. and L. of H. will meet at 505 Indiana avenue Thursday January 30.

Harold, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William James, and Mrs. Alice B. James is ill at their home in Ogden street.

The Woman's Club will meet in the parlors of Sumner League tomorrow at 2:30 to attend the services at Metropolitan Baptist church in a body.

John D. Morris, after several months' absence from the avenue has accepted a chair in S. E. Gray's shop, 226 Indiana avenue and will be pleased to see all his friends.

Mrs. A. C. Richardson returned to her home at Chicago Monday afternoon accompanied by Mrs. Ora Dunlop. Both ladies will leave for Denver, Colo., at an early date on account of failing health.

O. J. Mullins, L. W. Scott, Lexington Mo.; O. H. Rathman, Wellington, Mo.; F. B. Brown, Higginsville, Mo.; W. H. Anderson. Barclay, Ill.; J. R. Gillison are among the delegates to the Coal Miners' convention.

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L. K. Babcock, the author of the bill in the House which bears his name will be the speaker at the Y. M. C. A. Monster Meeting tomorrow at Bethel A. M. E. church. A. W. Hansen will be the speaker on Tuesday evening at the rooms.

The Progressive Club gave a theatre party at the Park last Saturday afternoon and was entertained at luncheon at the home of Mrs. T. Taylor. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Miller Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Naive C. Lewis is president;

Robert Turner and Miss Leila Bradley of Cairo, Ill., were married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Henderson in Columbia avenue Thursday evening of last week in the presence of a few friends, Mr. and Mrs. Turner are at home to friends at 1314 Columbia avenue.

Mrs. J. C. Ford, vice-president of the Michigan State Federation and president of the Phyllis Wheatley Club of Grand Rapids will be the guest of Miss Dayse Walker until February 3, and will give a talk at the vesper song service of the Y. C. W. P. A. at Second Baptist church tomorrow at 4 o'clock.

SEE OUR AD.

In Sunday Star, Monday, Wednesday and Friday's News.

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DEATH OF PROMINENT MAN

Connersville, Ind., Special.—Green H. Brascher, a successful business man and member of National Negro Business Men's League and father of Nahum D. Brascher, editor of the Cleveland Journal died here Jan, 21., after a protracted illness.

DEATHS.

Robert Ashby, at his home in West North street Wednesday after an illness of several months.

Wheeler Brown, at the home of his mother in North Senate avenue Tuesday after a protracted illness.

Grace Easton, fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Easton in Darnell street, Wednesday after an illness of several weeks.

Mrs. John Milligan, in W. Eleventh street. The funeral was held at Simpson Chapel Tuesday. Rev. Bailey conducted the services.

THE PARKER HOUSE.

The old reliable Parker House as usual is in the lead. When visiting in Indianapolis bear in mind that your visit is not complete until you have visited that hotel. If you have no relatives or friends in the city it is the place for you. Special arrangements for thearrical people. After party suppers prepared for on short notice. Regular meals and by card. Good sleeping rooms, bath, etc. J, W. Holiman, prop., 317-321 W. Michigan, New 'phone 4972.

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Our population is only 12,000, and we have eight mail carriers and two substitutes. They are as follows: Jos. Thomson, S. M. Steele, N. R. Kimbrough, Louis Furgison, N. S. Dabney, H. Reynolds, W. S. Dabney and Ed Randolph. Special letter carrier. One city official, N. Dixon. Three undertakers, Samuel Dabney, N. Dixon and Wm. Kessee; 2 jewelers, Brown Frazer and J. B. Handy. Three regular ice and coal dealers, Geo. Weston, Robards Bros. and Wm. Foston & Son; two meat markets, Ed Belles and Wm. Jenkins & Co.; four grocery stores, John Pages, Major Brown, Wm. Barksdail and John Anderson; one drug store, Dr. Ed Rynold; three physicians, Dr. C. A. Kelly, Dr. Rob Burtis and Dr. L. T. William; one dentist, Dr. S. Jefferies; one Homeopathic doctor, M. W. Barker; six barbershops run by colored proprietors; three white and three colored, Gordon & Trotman, Mrs. Wm. Buck, M. C. Dunbar, runs the white and Steele White & Barker, Diggs & Stamps and Alix Warfield; 2 tailor shops, Chas. Cobb and Virgil Birks; four lunch houses, Harvie Belle, Henry Mirriet, Mrs. Elen Dix and Wm. Hogain; one hitel, Mrs. Jordian Barksdail; one carriage manufacturer, N. B. Phillips & Son; two blacksmith shops, H. Hooser and C. A. Jackson.

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Mr. Ben Hudson, of Terre Haute, Ind., and Mr. Daniel West, of Nashville, Tenn., are visiting relatives.

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Prof. J. A. Bryant is lecturing in our city this week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Keesee gave a reception in honor of their daughter, Miss Willie Keesee, of Chicago.

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The Queen City of the state is still on the roll of honor. Cupid paid our city a successful visit in the last six weeks. He has joined together Miss Rubie Rice and Mr. John Woodson, Miss Tillie Overton and Mr. Clarence Clark, Miss Leeon Robards and Dr. S. Jefferson, Miss Annie Roberts and Mr. S. M. Steele, Miss Clertie Harrison and Mr. Robert Hamilton, Jr., and there are more to follow.

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Copies of The Freeman for sale at Carson's Tonsorial Parlor, Evergreen & Delmonico Cafes every day.

Richard & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels showed here at opera house Thursday night, the 16th inst., to a crowded house.

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The death of Mr. Storey Dudley, last Monday evening, the 13th inst., caused from a pistol shot, 44 colt, at Williams & Potts' cafe, last Saturday night, 11 inst, caused quite a gloom over the city. Mr. Dudley was highly respected and well liked by all. The funeral was attended last Tuesday evening, 14 inst., a Progressive Baptist Church, by Rev. S. S. Stephen, P. C., amidst a crowded house. Interment West Hill cemetery. He leaves a mother, little sister and brother, Mr. S. H. Dudley, of Smart Set Co., to mourn his loss.

OMAHA, NEB.

The Idle Hours, a newly organized quartet, sung at the Zion Baptist Baptist Church, January 9, and was highly praised, and the Rev. Dr. James gave them a hearty invitation to come again. The quartet is booked for the summer at the different parks

THE "NEVER RUN DRY BOYS" WILL ENTERTAIN COLE & JOHNSON COMPANY.

A mask ball will be given by the "Neyer Ru Dry Boys" in hnor of the Cole and Johnson Company, Tuesday evening at Louisville, Ky., at the Frontenac Hall. Music will be furnished by Tobe Brown's full ochestra. The committee have made arrangements that this may be one of the swellest balls of the season. The officers of the club are: Tom Bibb, president; George T. May, vice president; James E. Stringer, secretary; Felix Brooms, treasurer; Dave Jones, floor master. Besides this efficient set of officers there are twenty-four members who will assist in the evening's entertainment.

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THE FIRST FRONTENAC PROTECTIVE AID CLUB ENTERTAINS.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Special.—The Frontenac Protective Aid Club gave a grand leap year party January 20. There was a good attendance and refreshments were served in abundance. The new dance called the "Piper Hizet," under the direction of Osby, was danced with much success. This club is one of the most popular organizations of the city and their entertainment was highly appreciated by a large attendance.

George Slaughter, 514 Lampton street, is representing The Freeman. All matter for publication may be left with him each week.

To the lovers of good, clean burlesque, a treat is offered the patrons of the Empire Theater beginning Monday. The famous Reilly & Woods show will offer "Reilly in Egypt," a clever musical absurdity, for an opening skit, with "Reilly in Politics" for a burlesque. Both have been written by Mr. Pat Reilly, who also essays the principal comedy character in each. A beautiful stage setting is required and carried for these two skits, together with some of the most unique electrical effects ever seen with a burlesque combination. The oli numbers, together with a superabundance of pretty show girls, will create, no doubt, a favorable impression on the minds of those who will be fortunate enough to get a glimpse of this well-known attraction.

Don't forget that College Heights is an established fact; it is not merely on paper. The beautiful addition to Guthrie is already platted, and with an eye single to the many advantages of modern cities. Oklahoma is strictly in favor at this time, and Guthrie, the capital, is the particular center of attraction. College Heights adjoins Guthrie. As Guthrie, so is College Heights. Get in on the ground floor. You take no chances.

POLITICAL JOTTINGS.

John McGregor, County Commis sioner is a prince. If in doubt ask A. E. Manning.

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Henry W. Tieking will be a candidate for County commissioner from the Second District.

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County Commissioners John McGregor and John Mendenhall in company with Street Commissioner Joe Hogue, candidate for Sheriff were among the callers at the Sumner League Club Tuesday night, shaking hands with the "boys" and telling them a few things on the quiet.

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